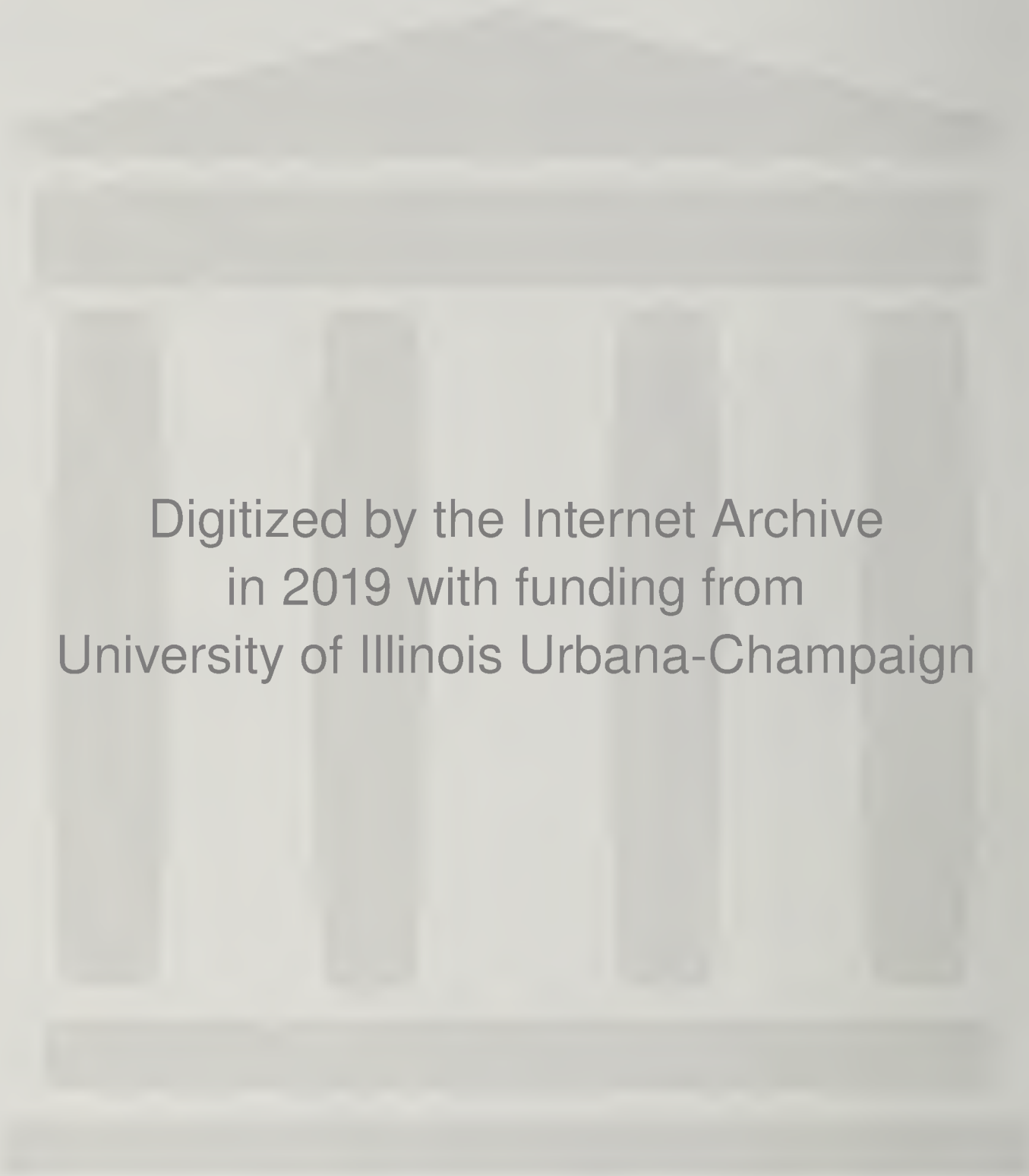


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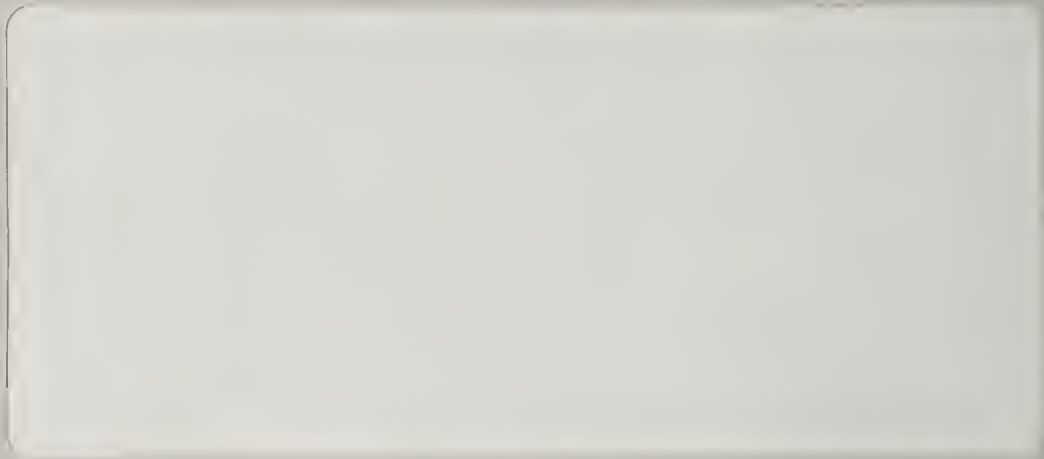


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PREFACE

The Earl W. Hayter Regional History Center is pleased to present this first comprehensive guide to its holdings on the history of the northern Illinois region. Over the past seven years the Center has acquired nearly 2,000 cubic feet of historical records documenting the heritage of the region. At the same time we have continued to expand our holdings in the University Archives and the local government records collections.

This Guide to Sources: Northern Illinois History completes a series of three separate, general guides to the three major areas of Center holdings. In 1983 the Illinois State Archives published A Guide to County Records in the Illinois Regional Archives which provides access to the public records held by the Center as an Illinois Regional Archives Depository (I.R.A.D.). In 1985 the Regional History Center also published its first Guide to the Northern Illinois University Archives giving researchers access to the university's historical records.

The guide is organized by type of source: manuscript collections, vertical file manuscripts, theses and dissertations, and records on microfilm. The subject index which completes this guide will refer researchers to specific, numbered entries found in the body of the text. The collection descriptions and index are only a first step in research and a means to get to the unpublished inventories, shelflists, and calendars held in the reading room. The 200 typescript inventories which describe each of the Center's manuscript collections provide access to the item, file, or volume level and are the heart of the Center's finding aid system. Researchers are encouraged to review the inventories carefully, to check the I.R.A.D. guide, and to work closely with the Center's staff as they seek sources.

Almost everyone who worked in the Center the past three years contributed in some way to this guide. Two, however, merit special mention: Leah Weisse built the data base which created the index and Daisy Fulkerson typed the manuscript. We especially thank the Tandy Corporation for its generous gift to the Center of a complete microcomputer system. The **Scriptit** wordprocessing software, the **Profile Plus** data management system, and the hardware itself all worked flawlessly. The TRS 16B System not only made production of the guide possible; it will allow us to update the product often and easily.

RC 1 Ellwood Family Collection (DeKalb) 12 LF

The Ellwood Family Collection partially documents the genealogy and business interests of a prominent DeKalb family during the years 1886-1920. Family related materials include genealogies, correspondence, and several photographs. In some cases correspondence extends into the 1940's. Although Isaac Ellwood is best known as one of the inventors of barbed wire, the business records in this collection deal primarily with the Ellwood's Percheron horse importing and breeding business (1886-1894), the Ellwood Wire and Nail Company (1897-1898), and I. L. Ellwood Manufacturing Company (1886-1898). Types of records for these businesses include correspondence, reports, photographs, and printed materials.

RC 2 W. W. Embree Collection (DeKalb) 72 LF

The Waite W. Embree Collection contains six series of records which document the history of DeKalb, midwestern railroads, and the Embree family's activities from 1900-1950. The first series contains the Embree family genealogy, correspondence, diaries, and record books. Series two contains approximately 13,000 black and white negatives from a local newspaper, "The DeKalb Daily Chronicle," and documents DeKalb's history from 1940 to 1956. The third series is a photograph series documenting the streets, businesses, special events, and civic groups of DeKalb and vicinity from 1900 through the 1950's. Series four also provides photographic documentation; in this group the photographs and negatives are of the Embree family and other DeKalb area families and individuals.

The fifth series contains Waite Embree's postcard collection covering the period 1900-1940. The largest series in this collection, series six, provides excellent photographic documentation of railroad rolling stock in the midwest. The 10,000 prints and negatives illustrate various types of engines and equipment used by over eighty railroads from 1900 to 1950. A large volume of complementary printed material includes timetables, guides, promotion literature, rail magazines, and histories.

RC 3 DeKalb County Historical Society Papers 2 LF

This collection documents the activities of the DeKalb County Historical Society from 1972-1977. Organizational records include the constitution and by-laws, minutes, annual reports, correspondence, financial records, and photographs. Printed materials in the collection focus on local and Illinois history and the society's projects and programs during the Bicentennial. The collection is particularly useful in revealing the role of a local historical society in preserving and making known the heritage of the DeKalb community. All records of the DeKalb County Historical Society prior to its revival as an active group in 1972 appear to have been lost.

- RC 4 Harris W. Fawell Papers (Naperville) 6 LF
- Harris W. Fawell, currently an attorney in Naperville, previously served seven terms (1963-1977) as State Senator for the 41st District. The first record series of correspondence contains Fawell's recommendations and requests to and from state legislators and local constituents regarding public policy issues. The second series of subject files contain minutes, correspondence, and memoranda belonging to the Senator, Illinois Councils and Commissions, and constituents. The final series of legislative files details specific legislation programs sponsored by Fawell and concerns subjects such as education, health care, and administration of the state government. This collection provides excellent source material for research on human resource administration.
- RC 5 Dennis J. Collins Papers (DeKalb) 17 LF
- Dennis Collins, a DeKalb attorney, was a state legislator from 1931 to 1974. The bulk of this collection relates to Collins' career as State Representative (1931-1943) and State Senator (1943-1973). Records in this series include correspondence, subject files, speeches, and press releases. Although the day-to-day activities of the Illinois General Assembly are well documented for some years, coverage is uneven. The collection also contains biographical materials, personal correspondence, photographs, and a small quantity of records from Collins' legal practice.
- RC 6 J. F. Glidden Papers (DeKalb) 4 LF
- These papers primarily document the personal and business activities of Joseph Farwell Glidden, a prominent DeKalb farmer and manufacturer, during the years 1882-1906. The collection also contains information on other Glidden family members, relatives, and friends from 1885 to 1954. Although the papers do not include material relating to Glidden's barbed wire activities, the collection does document his other agricultural businesses, the Glidden House (a hotel), and Glidden Publishing. There is also a small amount of material from the Henderson and Olson Company in Lee, Illinois. The records include correspondence, ledgers, bills and receipts, and several photographs.
- RC 7 Embree Lumber Company Records (DeKalb) 8 LF
- The records contained in this collection document the E. E. Embree Lumber Company's history from 1902 to 1953. Materials include business agreements, some correspondence, financial records, advertisements, promotional pamphlets, and suppliers' directories. The collection also documents local activities of the federal government during the Depression and World War II through the National Recovery Act, the Office of Price Administration, and the War Production Board. Unfortunately, most of the business correspondence and financial records from 1902-1933 have been lost. However, the

collection does provide information on building materials, architectural design, and government regulation during the 1930's and 1940's.

- RC 8 Woodbury-Forsythe Diaries (Sandwich) 2 LF
- The Woodbury-Forsythe Collection traces the daily events in the lives of two Sandwich, Illinois families, the Forsythes and the Woodburys, over two generations. The diaries span the period 1876 through 1921, each year contained in a separate volume: Frances (Coleman) Forsythe's diaries, 1876-1919; Nellie (Forsythe) Woodbury's diaries, 1893-1921; William Walden Woodbury's diaries, 1892-1896. Also included in the collection are speeches, correspondence, programs, photos, and a family genealogy. Although the textual materials are sparse, they do supplement the bound diaries, especially as they relate to the Woodburys' careers in the public schools of Sandwich, Illinois.
- RC 9 DeKalb County Centennial/Bicentennial Records 2 LF
- The materials in this collection document the preparations, financial arrangements, and special programs planned and celebrated at the DeKalb County Centennial, DeKalb Centennial, and the DeKalb County Bicentennial festivities (1934-1977). Records are divided into four series and include minutes, correspondence, financial reports, pamphlets, and brochures. Records in the collection are of good quality for research on DeKalb County.
- RC 10 Thurow Family Records (Plano) 3 LF
- The Thurow Family Collection traces three generations of the family's history in Kendall and DeKalb counties from the late 1880's through 1965. The collection includes marriage certificates, letters, legal agreements, account books, and photographs. Although documentation of many family members and their activities is sparse, the World War I experiences of W. W. Thurow, Sr. are extensively covered in his diary, letters from boot camp, and photographs.
- RC 11 Lindenwood Grain Co-Op Records 34 LF
- This collection partially documents the history of an Ogle County agricultural cooperative from 1919 to 1956. The majority of the records are ledgers, journals, correspondence, tax files, and annual reports. Most of the core records, including articles of incorporation, minutes of meeting, and stock ownership, remain with the cooperative. However, the collection does provide information on government controls on food and other commodities during World War II.

- RC 12 Hilmer Borggren Collection (Rockford) 2 LF
 The Hilmer Borggren Collection contains a variety of materials collected by Borggren between 1932 and 1977. A Swedish immigrant, Borggren belonged to the Scandinavian Fraternity of America and the VASA Order of America; documents gathered during his membership include correspondence, programs, convention materials, songbooks, and photographs. The collection also contains correspondence received by Borggren during World War II. All the records are in scrapbooks. The materials reveal the opinions of immigrants during World War II and the important social functions filled by American Scandinavian organizations.
- RC 13 Unitarian Fellowship Records (DeKalb) 1 LF
 Founded in 1961, the Unitarian Fellowship is one of the most recent additions to the DeKalb religious community. Although the minutes of the first organizational meetings in 1960 are missing, this collection provides complete documentation of the Church's first ten years and includes minutes (1961-1971), correspondence (1960-1969), treasurer's reports (1961-1971), religious education reports (1960-1971), newsletters (1961-1971), and committee reports (1961-1967).
- RC 14 Prairie View Grange Records (Pecatonica) 1 LF
 Prairie View Grange, organized in 1915, was a subordinate Grange in Winnebago County until its dissolution in 1970. The collection includes minutes (1931-1970), addresses, and roll records (1915-1964): unfortunately, most of the records from 1915-1930 appear to have been lost.
- RC 15 DeKalb Milk Consumers Association Records 4 LF
 The records contained in this collection document the history of the DeKalb Milk Consumers Association from 1922 to 1966. Materials include minutes, correspondence, balance sheets, stockholder records, and legal agreements. Although the minutes (1950-1965) provide excellent information on the later years of the Association's history, the collection lacks the records necessary to document the business during the years when it was controlled by the DeKalb Finnish community (1917-1949).
- RC 16 Uplinger Lumber, Grain, and Coal Company Records (Kirkland) 4 LF
 The records contained in this collection partially document the history of the Uplinger Lumber, Grain, and Coal Company from 1882 to 1920. Ledgers, sales journals, and scale records are fairly complete for the years 1882-1920, but other core materials necessary to document the company's history have been lost.

- RC 17 First Congregational Church Records (DeKalb) 4 LF
 Minutes of governing bodies and church groups (1856-1966), correspondence and annual reports (1949-1969), membership lists (1856-1969), bulletins (1926-1961), and photographs found in this collection record the history of one of DeKalb's oldest churches founded in 1854. Records of pastoral acts (1922-1952) and financial account books (1936-1962) complete the collection.
- RC 18 DeKalb Kiwanis Collection 4 LF
 These records partially document the history of the DeKalb Kiwanis Club from 1921-1966. Although minutes (1921-1928) and financial records are limited, the club's correspondence (1921-1961), membership records (1923-1955), reports (1923-1938), and newsletters (1935-1962) provide extensive information on the organization's activities and functions from 1921 to 1962. The collection also contains correspondence and reports (1933-1961) relating to the Illinois-Eastern Iowa Kiwanis District.
- RC 19 Richard J. Nelson Collection 10 LF
 Richard Nelson, former president of Northern Illinois University, collected published books and pamphlets, cartographic records, and nineteenth-century broadsides depicting the history of the Old Northwest Territory. The printed volumes concentrate on three areas: Illinois history, Lincolniana, and Chicago history. Most of this collection is housed in Founders Memorial Library but several hundred volumes may be found in the Center's reference and map collections. The reference works include many rare local and institutional histories. A shelflist of the reference works is available along with a calendar of the maps.
- RC 20 Kable Printing Company Records (Mt. Morris) 17 LF
 Kable Printing Company is one of Mt. Morris' oldest and most important businesses: the collection traces its history from 1904 to 1974. Over the years Kable has printed magazines such as "Sports Afield", "Woman's Day", and "Family Circle". Most of the records in this collection are financial and include general ledgers (1904-1939), production costs (1933-1974), inventories (1927-1957), stock records (1941-1945), internal publications (1929-1973), and photographs. A major weakness in the collection is the lack of corporate minutes, executive correspondence, and other non-financial records.
- RC 21 DeKalb Post Office Records 5 LF
 The bulk of the collection is financial records: postal account books (1888-1943), domestic money order records (1888-1938), and international money order records (1893-1920). Other types of records include postmasters' correspondence (1898-1913), custodians' records (1906-1945), and files on route changes and mail schedules. There are no records available for the earliest years of the office's existence (1849-1887).

- RC 22 Mighell and Wakefield Smithy Grain, and Coal Company Records 1 LF
 (Waterman)

Account books (1851-1872) and daybooks (1876-1890) document the business activities of T.G. Mighell, a DeKalb County blacksmith and grain dealer, and his nephew/partner, George Wakefield. The bulk of the collection pertains to the Wakefield Grain Company and includes daybooks (1908-1912, 1918-1925), monthly balances (1911-1920) and grain shipments (1912-1943).

- RC 23 H. H. Wagner Dry Goods Store Records (DeKalb) 3 LF

The history of one of DeKalb's oldest retail stores is found in the account books (1875-1914), wage records (1873-1875), and inventories (1876-1913) which are the bulk of the collection. Legal documents (1873-1915), estate records (1914-1915), and advertising copy provide additional information on the business.

- RC 24 DeKalb First United Methodist Church Records 5 LF

First United Methodist Church, founded in 1855, is one of DeKalb's oldest churches. Minutes (1883-1957), financial records (1864-1920), quarterly reports (1892-1961), and annual reports (1942-1958) form the core of the collection. Additional materials include general correspondence (1883-1961), pastors' correspondence, newsletters (1943-1978), and records of several church organizations. The collection also contains minutes of the annual meeting of the Rock River Conference of northern Illinois (1862-1960).

- RC 25 The Gurler Family Papers (DeKalb) 2 LF

The Gurler Family Papers document the business endeavors and private lives of Henry B. and George H. Gurler of DeKalb, Illinois from 1879-1905. Owners of the Gurler Brothers' Creameries, the Gurlers pioneered a milk processing and storage method which paved the way for the modern methods used today. Business correspondence, an account book, dealer and distributor transactions, and customer sales and complaints trace the development of their dairy business (1881-1905). Correspondence, genealogical charts, and biographical sketches document the personal lives of these prominent men and their families. The records are of exceptional quality for research on agriculture and dairy improvements.

- RC 26 H. W. Fay Portrait Collection (DeKalb) 6 LF

Herbert Wells Fay, a DeKalb newspaper publisher, collected these photographic portraits between 1890 and 1920. Of the 6,000 prints in the collection, approximately 3,000 portray citizens and elected officials of DeKalb and Illinois: the remainder of the photographs depict v.i.p.s by occupation (scientists, actors, presidents, women,...). The collection also contains a small quantity of Fay's correspondence (1880-1945).

- RC 27 The Bryant Family Collection (Princeton) 4 LF
- The Bryant Family Collection chronicles three generations of a pioneer family from 1767-1912. Diaries and letters document the family's migration in the 1830's from Massachusetts to Illinois and Kansas and the problems they encountered as settlers. Most of the material is a xerographic, typescript, or microfilm copy of the originals; the original records are preserved in the Bureau County Historical Society, Princeton, Illinois, the New York Public Library, and at the Sheldon Historical Museum, Middleburg, Vermont.
- RC 28 Lipscomb Collection: 1968 Democratic National Convention 6 LF
(Chicago)
- H. Alan Lipscomb gathered the materials in this collection while he was Field Representative for the Northern Illinois University Library in August, 1968. The materials, including campaign literature, press releases, position papers, and policy statements, document the activities of committees and candidates at the 1968 Democratic National Convention in Chicago. General convention pamphlets detail the programs of the Republican Party and other political organizations. Lipscomb's correspondence reflects his efforts to gather observations, insights, and records relating to the convention and supplements the documentation in the collected materials.
- RC 29 The Lovering Collection (Shabbona) 3 LF
- This collection partially documents three subjects: the George Lovering Lumber and Grain Company of Shabbona (1881-1912); William K. Lovering's 1,800 mile drive from Detroit, Michigan to Salt Lake City, Utah in a Scripps-Booth automobile (1916); and facets of Shabbona, Illinois' history (1895-1940). Materials include financial account ledgers, business and personal correspondence, W.K. Lovering's typed manuscripts under the pen name Bill Knell, photographs, catalogs, and programs. Due to the wide variety of topics covered in the collection, research value in any one area is limited. Nevertheless, the records are of good quality for background information on agribusiness and rural development.
- RC 30 DeKalb Public Speaking and Discussion Club Records 1 LF
- The DeKalb Public Speaking and Discussion Club organized in 1932 to help develop its members into dynamic speakers. This collection documents the activities of the organization from 1932-1966, with the majority of the records dating between 1938-1959. Materials include club constitutions, minutes, correspondence, guides and speaking aids, and membership rosters. Since the discussions at each meeting revolved around current social and political issues, the records provide an insight into changing community concerns.

- RC 31 Platte River Development Association Records (Monroe Center) 2 LF

These records document the development of an oil company, the Platte River Development Association, started by a group of northwestern Illinois farmers and businessmen, from 1920 to 1926. The collection consists of correspondence, by-laws, minutes of trustee meetings, agreements and declarations of trust, irrevocable proxies, beneficiary certificates and receipts, expense records, and financial statements. There also are records for a privately-owned supply company, the Atchison and Hildebrand Company. Although the Atchison and Hildebrand materials are incomplete, C.L. Atchison's letters and the Association's correspondence files are valuable research tools for examining fraudulent activities within the businesses and their development into profitable enterprises.

- RC 32 Sabin and Van Arsdale Collection (Aurora) 4 LF

The Sabin and Van Arsdale Collection consists of approximately 850 photographs, 450 post cards, and a small amount of correspondence, tour books, and printed materials these men gathered while traveling (1884-1936). The photographs depict western mining and manufacturing operations, landscape and scenery of Europe and the United States, and portraits of Sabin and Van Arsdale relatives and friends. Also included are surveyors books, diaries, and notebooks used during Sabin's career as a Winnebago County surveyor (1890's).

- RC 33 Fred C. Soderboom Papers (Rockford) 1 LF

The Fred C. Soderboom Papers represent a portion of the historical materials belonging to Swedish immigrant Klas Frederick Soderboom (1901-1957). Soderboom came to Winnebago County in 1901, settled in Rockford, and worked as a carpenter and later, a knitter for the Burson Knitting Company in Rockford. Immigration papers, business agreements, and personal documents such as mortgages and a marriage license provide source material for research on Swedish settlers and their adaptation to a new culture.

- RC 34 Ella Hume Taylor Collection (Geneseo) 2 LF

This collection contains materials collected by Mrs. Taylor from the Henry County area. Included are letters, reminiscences, town and township histories, and biographical sketches of several members of the Old Settlers of Henry County Association (1862-1938). In addition, a centennial book (1884), service programs, and treasurer's reports partially document the history of the First Congregational Church of Geneseo, Illinois. Minimal materials also are available for the Henry County Sunday School Association (1912-1939) and the Henry County Historical Society (1890's-1938).

- RC 35 Biester-Davis Papers (Belvidere-Elgin) .2 LF

The letters in this collection detail the perspectives held by two men, James E. Davis and William Biester, regarding the practice

of law, national politics, and prohibition from 1885 to 1887. Included are genealogical and biographical materials, correspondence, and addresses written by Davis while studying law in Chicago. Unfortunately, documents detailing Biester's or Davis' law practice have been lost and the small amount of documentation limits the collection's research value.

- RC 36 Groenewold Business Collection (Forreston) 2 LF
 Most of the records documenting George Groenewold's businesses have been lost: what remains is this small collection which covers the period 1932 to 1954. Materials include account books of specific interests (i.e. poultry, eggs, and furs) and general financial records. There also is personal correspondence in German and English describing Groenewold's adaptation to his new environment and his business endeavors. Although the Groenewold Fur and Wool Company became internationally known, the collection only partially documents its significance. Nevertheless, the records do provide a balanced picture of Groenewold's many business interests.
- RC 37 Taylor Farm Records (Franklin Grove) 1 LF
 The records contained in this collection partially document the Taylor family farm in Franklin Grove, Illinois from 1944 to 1977. Materials include personal and business correspondence, property sales records, legal documents, insurance records, estate documents, and livestock commodity invoices. Journals and ledgers record the family's household and farm expenses and Mrs. Taylor's diary provides information on her daily activities in 1964. Although documentation for some years is limited, the existing materials are of good quality for agricultural economics research.
- RC 38 Rockford Mitten and Hosiery Company Records 4 LF
 Rockford Mitten and Hosiery Company, part of the important knitting industry in nineteenth-century Rockford, began operations in 1881. Many of the important company records were destroyed after corporate dissolution in 1957; what remains is found in this collection. Materials include corporate minute books, legal business agreements, annual reports, and financial records. Although records for most of the subsidiary companies and business correspondence are missing, the records comprehensively detail corporate growth and changes made within the company's organizational structure. The collection also provides excellent source material for research on economic trends and the evolution of the knitting industry in Rockford, Illinois.
- RC 39 Reed and Delong Pharmacy Records (DeKalb) 1 LF
 The ledger books recording the daily transactions of Hiram Delong and John Reed's pharmacy from 1887 to 1893 identify customers and purchases; list prescriptions filled, prices, and doctor's names; and records sales of dry goods materials. Although a small

collection, the prescription records provide information on rural medical practices during the late nineteenth-century.

RC 40 Rockford Harmony Singing Society Records 2 LF

The Rockford Harmony Singing Society organized in 1923 to promote and foster songs of American and Scandinavian folk-lore and to associate with the National Organization of the Norwegian Singers and the Norwegian Midwest Singers Association. Comprised entirely of minute books (1923-1966), this collection summarizes the organization's business meetings, contains annual reports, and records member resignations, and nominations and elections of officers. Although there are no financial records, correspondence, or programs, the collection excellently documents the vitality and cultural diversity among Rockford's residents.

RC 41 Baldwin Family Papers (DeKalb) .5 LF

The Baldwin Family Papers consist of the private and business records of Edwin S. Baldwin, his brother George W., and their families. Materials include correspondence, a diary, bills, and tax receipts dating from 1853 to 1943. Several pamphlets document the activities of the American Free and Accepted Masons and the Shriners during the same time period. Although the research value of this collection is limited, the farm records provide some information on the operations of a family-owned farm and the agricultural community of DeKalb County.

RC 42 Rockford Chair and Furniture Company Records 30 LF

The Rockford Chair and Furniture Company collection incorporates three record series documenting the history of this major manufacturing firm from 1882 to 1973. The first series contains the statement of incorporation, meeting minutes, letter-books, correspondence, agreements, and certificates of stock (1882-1973). Series two contains labor records and printed schedules, furniture manuals, supply catalogs, and photographs of company products (1931-1941). Financial records, particularly business journals, ledgers, daybooks, order books, time books, cash books, payroll ledgers, and a draft register, comprise the third series (1882-1973).

As one of Rockford's oldest and largest furniture manufacturers, the company's historical records provide a unique opportunity for research on industrial development and its influence on the city's economic and demographic elements.

RC 43 H. H. Parke Collection (Genoa-Sycamore) .5 LF

The H.H. Parke Collection partially documents the life of one of the foremost men in American agriculture. The records consist of correspondence from family and friends (1894-1973), congratulatory letters for achievements in agriculture (1917, 1952),

and programs and reports of the American Farm Bureau. Of particular interest are the biographical and autobiographical materials for Almon Ford Parke, H.H. Parke, and other family members. Publications from several farm organizations and two farm account ledgers also are available.

Unfortunately, the records do not thoroughly document Parke's role as one of the organizers of the DeKalb Farm Bureau, his presidency of the National Livestock Producers Association, his involvement with the Chicago Livestock Producers Association, or Parke's brief service as assistant secretary of agriculture in Illinois.

RC 44 Laura Cooper Collection (Byron) 2 LF

Laura Cooper's diaries detail her family's activities in Byron, Illinois (1892-1965): although several diaries are missing, those available provide interesting insights on rural family life. The collection also contains a small amount of material on Byron's churches (particularly the Congregational Church), Ogle County Granges, and on the history of the Cooper and Whitney families. Several Sunday school books, children's story books, and prayer books complete the collection.

RC 45 Eaton-Luff Collection (Lindenwood) 1 LF

The Eaton-Luff Collection primarily consists of business records for the Jones-Luff general merchandise store in Lindenwood, Illinois (1869-1916). These records include goods, freight, and bank receipts dating from 1887-1896. Although documentation is limited, the goods and freight receipts offer a fair record of the types of products handled by the firm and those companies with which they traded regularly. In addition, the collection contains a small amount of personal and business correspondence of the Luff family (1880-1907) and photographs, negatives, and tintypes depicting Lindenwood and its residents.

RC 46 Bertha G. Bradt Collection (DeKalb) 4 LF

The Bertha Glidden Bradt Collection records the Bradt family genealogy and history dating 1839-1954. Series one contains Mrs. Bradt's genealogical research correspondence, notes, and materials tracing specific family lines. Also included are book catalogs, printed genealogical materials (1898-1953), photographs, and files of European heraldry. The second series of the collection consists of Glidden family manuscripts: correspondence from family members (1859-1904); J.W. Glidden's poetry, journals, and scrapbook (1845-1883); Carlos Glidden's typewriter patent (1892); Bradt and Glidden family photographs (1851-1939).

The final series contains scrapbooks, personal memoranda, and a photograph album documenting S.E. Bradt's affiliation with various business associations and his role in the Illinois Good

Roads Movement (1899-1952). These records provide information on the influence of transportation improvements on land use and development. The entire collection is of excellent quality for research on the DeKalb community and the lives of one of the city's prominent families.

RC 47 H. W. Colwill Collection (Creston) 22 LF

Records in this collection document the business operations of the Creston Grain Elevator (1932-1977) and the Leader Oil Company (1944-1967) of Creston, Illinois. The materials are arranged in three series. Series one contains the personal records of H.W. Colwill including correspondence, tax records, estate settlement records, and grain speculation records (1930-1977). The materials in series two, correspondence, receipts, lists, business and shipment records, and business ledgers, document Colwill's elevator operations from 1932-1969. Series three contains the business records for the Leader Oil Company (1944-1967): business inventories, account books, and ledgers sheets.

Although portions of Colwill's business records were discarded before the Center was able to obtain the materials, the collection provides documentation on the development of two agri-businesses and on government regulation imposed on food and other related products during the 1930's and 1940's.

RC 48 Smith Oil and Refining Company Records (Rockford) 3 LF

The Smith Oil and Refining Company, incorporated in 1918, eventually established a service station and distribution system which covered northern Illinois, eastern Iowa, and southern Wisconsin. The records in this collection document the history and development of the company and its subsidiaries from 1918-1970. Materials include articles of incorporation, by-laws, minutes (1918-1967), audit reports, company publications, financial ledgers (1918-1949), and check registers. A partial set of financial ledgers exists for the subsidiary companies. The Smith Oil and Refining Company Records provide a unique opportunity for research on a family-owned oil distributing company.

RC 49 Fairview Park Cemetery Association Records (DeKalb) 2 LF

The burial records of the Fairview Park Cemetery Association (1903-1959) offer excellent genealogical source material for the City of DeKalb. A small amount of business correspondence, local records, receipts, and interment orders complete the collection. There are no gaps in the burial records.

RC 50 Kavadas Collection (DeKalb) 3 LF

The Kavadas Collection contains printed materials, photographs, post cards, and scrapbooks depicting facets of Kavadas family history. The printed materials, along with some of the photographs, document portions of the history of Amboy and Lee Center, Illinois. All of the

post cards provide a photographic description of the family's travels to several states and foreign countries as well as cities and villages throughout Illinois (1910-1950). Since there is no personal correspondence available to accurately document the Kavadas family history, the collection's research value is limited. Only the photographs provide information on the family's travels.

RC 51 Chicago and North Western Railway Historical Society Records 20 LF

The Chicago and North Western Historical Society Collection partially documents the history of the Chicago and North Western railroad from 1836 to 1980. The collection consists of seven series: public relations department files; property records; architectural drawings and maps; memorabilia; C & NW printed materials; related rail publications; and the Chicago and North Western Historical Society's publication, "North Western Lines". The bulk of the material covers the years 1935 to 1950. Although corporate records are sparse, 19th century colonization materials and the 1948 centennial celebration records are of special interest.

RC 52 DeKalb County Farm Bureau Collection 1 LF

DeKalb was the first county in the United States to establish a formal farm organization to carry local responsibility for extension work in agriculture. On January 5, 1912 a group of local farmers, bankers, and newspapermen organized the DeKalb County Soil Improvement Association which later became the DeKalb County Farm Bureau. Included in the collection is a history of the organization (1913-1973), annual reports (1947-1951), and incomplete runs of monthly and annual publications (1915-1916, 1948, 1968-1980). All of the original records of the DeKalb County Farm Bureau remain with the organization.

RC 53 DeKalb Township High School Collection 2 LF

These records partially document the history of the DeKalb Township High School from 1864 to 1973. Although there are no administrative records, the materials available do provide information on organizations, social activities, and sporting events. The bulk of the collection consists of high school publications: "The Barb" (1904-1935); "The Barblet" (1943-1950); and "New Pennies" (1944, 1962, 1964, 1973). Also included are several yearbooks and one of the first composition books compiled by DeKalb High School students (1864-1865). Of special interest are materials documenting a high school boys club, the Benign Order of the Yannigans, 1909-1941.

RC 54 Finch-Marshall Railway Collection 2 LF

The first series in this collection reflects the interests of Mr. C.W. Finch and Mrs. James B. Marshall in the railroad history of the Midwest and contains materials on the Chicago and North Western

and the Great Western railroads from 1888 to 1978. This series includes research papers, correspondence, railway agreements, abstracts of contracts and leases, manuals, newsletters, and photographs. A second series contains information gleaned from national rail publications (1954-1978), and newsletters, annual reports, and catalogs from labor unions and historical organizations.

RC 55 St. Paul's Episcopal Church Records (DeKalb) 1 LF

St. Paul's Episcopal Church was founded in DeKalb, Illinois in 1876. The records in this collection are baptismal, communicant, burial, marriage, and family listings (1911-1948); register of church services (1915-1932, 1943-1973); and programs (1917-1975). Most of the records necessary to document the church's history remain with the congregation.

RC 56 American Association for University Women (DeKalb) 2 LF

The DeKalb Chapter of the American Association for University Women was organized in 1930 to develop opportunities for women in higher education and to create and maintain high standards in those institutions admitting women students. The materials in the collection span the years 1939 to 1978 with the majority of the records dating from 1960 to 1978. There are no minutes, treasurer's reports, or correspondence in the collection, however, newsletters (1960-1978), yearbooks (1957-1977), and scrapbooks (1939-1945) do provide information on the DeKalb chapter's activities. The Illinois State Division newsletters (1965-1977) and scrapbook (1940-1941) provide supplementary information.

RC 57 Rockford Small Business Collection 3 LF

The volumes in this collection partially document the operations of eleven small businesses in Rockford, Illinois during the period 1910 to 1960: John Anderson Coal Company (1944-1950); Joseph Behr and Sons (1955-1958); David Goldman (1920-1958); Industrial Gages, Inc. (1955-1960); Kettlewell Milk Company (1929-1930); Midway Amusement Company (1929-1937); Rockford Dairy, Inc. (1929-1930); Royal Mantel and Furniture (1913-1938); The Tagit Company (1916-1961); Union Furniture Company (1906-1950); Winnebago Radio and Cabinet (1928-1932).

Although many of the daily records of these businesses have been lost, the volumes in this collection provide excellent information on the origin, operation, and dissolution of these eleven firms including articles of incorporation and dissolution, stock registers and capitalization reports, minutes of special board and stockholders meetings, legal documents, and information on product lines. Most of the records fall in the period between 1920 and 1950 and offer insight on the vicissitudes of commerce and manufacturing in Rockford during the Great Depression and World War II.

- RC 58 John E. Grotberg Papers (St. Charles) 2 LF
- John E. Grotberg, currently an Illinois State Senator, previously served two terms (1972-1976) as State Representative for the 38th District. The first series in the collection contains constituent correspondence and literature files pertaining to Grotberg's duties as State Representative. A second series is more general in scope and contains newspaper clippings on Grotberg's activities and issues of public concern such as energy, housing, and mass transportation. The collection, though limited chronologically, reveals local attitudes on important issues during the period.
- RC 59 National Chair Company Records (Rockford) 4 LF
- The materials in this collection provide extensive documentation on the history of a Rockford furniture manufacturer from its organization in 1927 to its dissolution in 1954. Types of records include minutes (1927-1954), correspondence (1936-1943), financial records (1927-1951), and wage records (1943-1951). Of special interest are materials on the War Production Board (1941-1943) and the Furniture Workers Union (1937-1942). These records, used in conjunction with other Center manuscript collections and printed sources, offer valuable insights into one of Rockford's most important industries during a period when furniture manufacturing was gradually declining in the city.
- RC 60 Wirtz and Wirtz Company Records (DeKalb) 3 LF
- In 1899, E.J. Wiswall and F.E. Wirtz organized the Wiswall and Wirtz Furniture and Undertaking business operating stores in DeKalb and Malta, Illinois. When Wiswall retired in 1920, F.E. Wirtz, his son B.L. Wirtz, and his nephew W.W. Wirtz formed the Wirtz and Wirtz Furniture and Undertaking business. The materials in this collection include ledgers, journals, daybooks, and Office of Price Administration files (1945-1946). The bulk of the materials pertain to the 1918 to 1970 period.
- RC 61 South Grove Grange Records (DeKalb County) .2 LF
- These records document the establishment and development of a subordinate Grange in DeKalb County, Illinois. Included are articles of incorporation (1925), minutes (1932-1937), dues records (1925-1939), quarterly reports (1936-1939), and Grange publications. All correspondence and most of the minutes of meetings are missing from the collection.
- RC 62 Pure Milk Association Records (Chicago) 13 LF
- The Pure Milk Association records provide extensive documentation on the origins and development of a northern Illinois milk producers' cooperative during the period 1924 to 1969. Types of records include articles of incorporation and amendments (1926-1961), by-laws (1952-1969), minutes and proceedings of directors' meetings and special committee meetings (1924-1969), membership agreements

(1926-1950), and publications (1951-1964). Although the activities at the local level are not well documented, the materials available provide comprehensive information on the history of the cooperative.

- RC 63 Etna Grange Records (Malta) .2 LF
 Etna Grange, organized by 31 charter members in Malta, DeKalb County, Illinois in 1937, eventually disbanded in the early 1960's. Materials in the collection include articles of incorporation and charter (1937), minutes of meetings (1937-1955), membership records (1937-1961), and Grange publications. Although the collection is incomplete, it does trace local Grange activities for the years 1937 to 1955.
- RC 64 Hanover Scenic Grange Records (Jo Daviess County) .5 LF
 The records in this collection document the history of the Hanover Scenic Grange from its inception in 1964 through its dissolution in 1978. Included in the collection are by-laws, minutes of meetings (1964-1978), lists of officers and standing committees, financial records, membership records, quarterly and annual reports, and scrapbooks. The collection provides excellent documentation of the activities of a subordinate Grange in northern Illinois.
- RC 65 Mayfield Cemetery Association Records (DeKalb County) .5 LF
 The Mayfield Cemetery Association was organized by citizens of Mayfield Township interested in caring for the local cemetery which had been created in 1844. Types of records include articles of incorporation, constitution and by-laws, minutes of meetings (1884-1922), correspondence (1902-1927), and burial records (1844-1958). The burial records list the name, age, and birthdate of the deceased in addition to burial date and plot location. Burial demits and contracts (1911-1966) provide additional information on the cause of death.
- RC 66 International Organization of Good Templars Collection 12 LF
 These materials document the activities (1888-1979) of the northern Illinois lodges of the Central States Council of the International Organization of Good Templars. Also included are materials from the state, national, and international levels of the organization. Types of materials included in the collection are constitutions and by-laws, minutes of meetings, journals of convention proceedings, reports, correspondence, financial records, program books, and publications. The collection provides excellent documentation of the role of the I.O.G.T. in the temperance movement in the U.S. and especially the northern Illinois region. Much of the material prior to World War II is in the Swedish language.

- RC 67 Chauncey W. Reed Collection (West Chicago) 3 LF
- Chauncey W. Reed was born in West Chicago, Illinois in 1880, attended Northwestern University and received his law degree from Webster College in 1915. Reed was state's attorney for DuPage County from 1920 until his election to the U.S. House of Representatives in 1935. The Republican Congressman won re-election ten times and served his district until his death in Washington in 1956. The collection does not include Reed's papers or correspondence but does provide important biographical material in the form of magazine articles, military and obituary records, genealogical records, and photographs. Additional information on Reed's political career is available in scrapbooks and clipping files. Although small, the collection represents the only Reed materials known to exist.
- RC 68 Round Grove Grange Records (Round Grove) 2 LF
- The Round Grove Grange collection documents the activities of a subordinate Grange from 1941 to 1975. With the exception of business correspondence and certificates (1941-1975) from the subordinate Grange, the bulk of the materials describe state and national Grange activities. Included are letters, journals of proceedings, by-laws, rules, rosters, and ritual manuals (1872-1975). Most of the original materials from the Round Grove Grange were destroyed by fire.
- RC 69 George Heyward Company Records (Kirkland) 6 LF
- These records document the financial history of the George Heyward Company from its founding in 1882 to 1919. All the records in the collection are financial, including account books (1882-1919), sales correspondence (1901-1918), cash book, and freight records (1900-1919). Because textual materials are sparse, the collection's research potential is limited.
- RC 70 Sandwich State Bank Records 2 LF
- The materials in this collection partially document the history of the Sandwich State Bank from 1918 to 1928. Included are general ledgers (1919-1926), cash books (1918-1919), and account files (1919-1928). Two additional ledgers (1866-1880) of M.B. Castle, founder of the Sandwich State Bank, are included, but it is not clear whether they are bank records. The collection lacks the core records necessary to document the bank's history and spans only a small portion of its existence.
- RC 71 Putnam Family Collection (Harvard) .5 LF
- The Russel Putnam family farm was located in the heart of the northern Illinois dairy region. The materials in the collection document the breeding of Jersey cattle on the Putnam farm in Harvard between 1940 to 1950. Herd records, registration records, herd histories, and award certificates detail this important aspect of the dairy industry in Mc Henry County.

- RC 72 Central Market Records (Geneva) 1 LF
 The Central Market was a mainstay of the Geneva, Illinois business community from 1895 until early 1979. Customer accounts, correspondence, sales records, and payroll records provide partial documentation of the activities of this small business. The collection, though fragmentary, does reveal the Central Market's ties to the Swedish community in Geneva.
- RC 73 Latham Castle Papers (Sandwich) 9 LF
 Latham Castle was born in Sandwich, Illinois in 1900 and concluded his years of public service in 1970. During his long career Castle held many public offices including city attorney, DeKalb County state's attorney (1928-1940), assistant attorney general for the state of Illinois, DeKalb County judge (1942-1952), attorney general of the state of Illinois (1953-1959), and Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Seventh District (1959-1970). The bulk of materials in this collection pertain to Castle's years as Illinois Attorney General and his prosecution of state auditor Orville Hodge for embezzling state funds. Types of materials include speeches, clipping files, scrapbooks, photographs, and an oral history interview.
- RC 74 Norris Family Collection (Kane County) 1 LF
 The Norris family collection partially documents life on the Norris farm in Blackberry Township, Kane County, Illinois from 1884 to 1932. Included in the collection are household expenses, mill accounts, farm accounts, shop notes, and school records. Of special interest is the diary of Hiram Norris' wife Hanna and son Frank spanning the years 1864-1866. The Norris collection although small, provides valuable insights into life in rural Illinois during the late 19th and early 20th centuries.
- RC 75 Ray "Dutch" Scott Papers (DeKalb) 1 LF
 The materials in this collection document Ray A. "Dutch" Scott's 1974 campaign for Illinois State Senator and other community activities from 1964 to 1977. Included are correspondence, position papers, and projects describing Scott's Democratic platform and his involvement in local community services prior to the 1974 campaign. Also included are state and local legislative publications, reports, and memorandums (1967-1976).
- RC 76 Kane County Farm Bureau Records 8 LF
 The records in this collection trace the history of the Kane County Farm Bureau from 1919 to 1967. Series one includes minutes of the executive committee, by-laws, amendments, and agendas for the period 1919 to 1957. The second series contains general ledgers and journals, membership records, patronage records,

and insurance files. Printed materials, such as the "Kane County Farmer" (1952-1971), the Illinois Agricultural Association's "Annual Report" (1940-1966), and the "I.A.A. Record" (1969-1971) comprise the third series. Records for the first five years of the organization's existence, 1913-1918, are missing.

RC 77 Frances W. Shimer College Collection (Mt. Carroll) 22 LF

One of the first institutions located west of the Appalachian Mountains to grant women the right to higher education, the Frances Shimer College of Mt. Carroll, Illinois offered intellectual, cultural, and spiritual development to its students as early as 1853. Materials in the collection range from original manuscripts pre-dating Shimer's origin in 1853 to publications printed in 1978. There are six major record series in the collection: (1) incorporation documents, historical, and biographical files; (2) files from the office of the president; (3) alumnae and public relations records; (4) scrapbooks and photographs; (5) financial records; (6) Shimer College publications.

A major strength of the collection is its abundance of nineteenth-century correspondence and documents. While there is considerable material on the twentieth-century as well, there is progressively less after 1950. In particular, business records dating after 1924 are scant and coverage of recent years is the weakest part of the collection.

RC 78 Piper Business Collection (Byron) 9 LF

The Piper's Tru-Value Hardware store began in 1891 as a small blacksmith shop operated by S.F. Piper on his farm located west of Byron, Illinois. Business account, day and cash book registers, check registers, payroll and weekly time books, and a small amount of correspondence document the financial history of this business from 1891 to 1972. A number of hardware catalogs (1925-1971) have been added to the collection as supplementary material.

RC 79 Winnebago Farm Bureau Co-op Records 2 LF

This collection partially documents the business activities of the Winnebago Farm Bureau Cooperative and the Winnebago Producers Supplies, two defunct cooperative subsidiaries of the Winnebago Farm Bureau (1946-1974). Materials include minutes of the Board of Directors (1946-1973), by-laws, articles of incorporation, patronage records, and financial account ledgers. Documents pre-dating 1960 describe the Winnebago Producers Supplies. The collection is particularly useful for research on the Farm Bureau's role in supplying needed materials to farmers.

- RC 80 Willowdale Grange Records (Fairdale) 1 LF
 Correspondence, by-laws, minutes, quarterly/yearly reports, financial account books, and a scrapbook of Grange events document the Willowdale Grange's history from its organization in 1914 through 1958. The collection also contains materials describing national and state Grange activities from 1914 to 1965. Researchers should note that the collection provides an opportunity to study the subordinate Grange's role in the National Grange movement.
- RC 81 Mid-West Dairymen's Company Records (Rockford) 8 LF
 The Mid-West Dairymen's Company records document the origin and development of a northern Illinois non-profit milk producers' cooperative during the period 1924 to 1980. Corporate records books (1924-1963) contain minutes of the board of directors and special committees' meetings, resolutions, and bills which furnish legal, financial, production, and marketing information on the cooperative. Additional documents including correspondence (1933-1961), membership agreements (1936-1961), financial ledgers, and production records provide important data for an accurate study of the period 1930 to 1960. The Mid-West Dairymen's Company, part of the larger cooperative movement in the 1920's, solved problems of agricultural overproduction by voluntary cooperation and government aid.
- RC 82 Batavia Congregational Church Records 7 LF
 The records of the Congregational Church of Batavia document the establishment and history of one of the oldest churches in Kane County from 1835-1976. Primarily containing Church/Congregational Society minutes (1835-1966), the collection also includes trustees minutes, building records, letters of transfer and dismissal (1835-1920), church organization records, and Sunday bulletins. Treasurer's reports comprise most of the financial records and are contained in the church and trustees minutes. In addition to the church records, the collection includes materials and portraits of various prominent church members. Researchers interested in Illinois church history will find that the records of the Congregational Church provide valuable information regarding the history of Congregationalism in northern Illinois.
- RC 83 Rockford First Lutheran Church Records 32 LF
 Founded in 1854, the First Lutheran Church is one of Rockford's oldest religious organizations created by the city's large Swedish population. Materials in the collection document the history of the church as well as the culture of Rockford's Swedish community from 1854 to 1970. Researchers should note that although much of the pre-1930 material is in Swedish, translations of some of the core records are included.

The collection comprises six distinct records series: (1) church historical files; (2) minutes, reports, correspondence, and agreements from the administrative bodies of the church; (3) general financial records; (4) records of several church service organizations; (5) printed materials such as bulletins and newsletters; (6) records of official pastoral acts and membership transfer records. The documents are of exceptional quality for research in ethnic, religious, and local history.

- RC 84 Salem Lutheran Church Records (Sandwich) 6 LF
- The records in this collection document the history of the Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church, Sandwich, Illinois from 1904 to 1978. Materials include the original constitution, official advisory board minutes, correspondence, annual reports, membership records, and financial account ledgers. Church publications, photographs, and bulletins complete the collection. Organized to serve Swedish immigrants settled in the area, the Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church Records provide an excellent opportunity to study ethnic and religious history.
- RC 85 Needham Blacksmith Shop Records (Kaneville) 9 LF
- These records document the growth and development of a family-owned blacksmith shop over a period of four generations from 1872 to 1958. The bulk of the collection consists of an almost complete set of daybooks (1898-1958) that detail each business transaction. The collection traces the transition forced upon the blacksmith trade by the internal combustion engine, from that of general blacksmithing and horseshoeing to machinist and welder.
- RC 86 John P. Case Collection (Naperville) 3 LF
- Director and member of the Chicago Milk Producers Association, John Case helped pioneer the idea of creating a milk producer's cooperative to improve dairy standards, increase product sales, and encourage dairy farm cooperation. This collection partially documents Case's participation in this organization and his private farm practices from 1922-1965. Records include correspondence, minutes, reports, publications, and financial data. Financial record books comprise a major series of the collection detailing Case's measurements of farm productivity over a given year (1922-1965).
- RC 87 DuPage County Farm Bureau Records 6 LF
- Organized to promote farming efficiency on a scientific basis by featuring programs on new developments in seed selection, feeding practices, soil conservation, and sanitation in handling livestock, the DuPage County Farm Bureau played a vital role in the county's agricultural productivity. These records, minutes

of the board of directors, financial accounts, membership reports, photographs, publications, and scrapbooks of the women's committee, document a substantial portion of the farm bureau's history from its inception in 1913 through 1970. Materials describing national and state farm bureau policy developments from 1950 to 1966 complete the collection.

- RC 88 Westfield Grange Records (Winnebago County) .8 LF

These records document the establishment, development, and eventual demise of the Westfield Grange No. 1764, Winnebago County, Illinois. The collection is organized into three subject record series: (1) Westfield Grange materials (1911-1972); (2) records for the Westfield Juvenile Grange (1958-1969); and (3) a minor series containing items from the Illinois State Grange and the National Grange (1955-1971). Of the ten Grange collections held by the Regional History Center, this collection is the most complete including dues/account roll books, minute books, treasurer's ledgers, quarterly reports, committee lists, and membership applications.

- RC 89 F. E. Griffith Correspondence (Sandwich) .5 LF

The letters of Frank E. Griffith, dated September, 1862 to June, 1865, reveal personal and family problems faced during the Civil War and provide insights on Union Army attitudes. Legal documents, photographs, a songbook, poetry, and recipes trace family migrations and changes over three generations (1794-1938). Although a small collection, the Griffith Family papers are a rich resource for information on the Civil War era.

- RC 90 North Corn Belt Seed Growers, Inc. Records (Naperville) 1 LF

Created by John P. Case (RC #86), H.R. Gregory, and H.S. Wright, the North Corn Belt Seed Growers, Inc. originally produced and distributed hybrid seed corn as an affiliate of Pfister Associated Growers headquartered in El Paso, Illinois. Today, under the company name Agrinetics, the corporation continues to serve as a leader in the seed corn industry. This collection partially documents the history of the company from 1938 to 1966. Materials include articles of incorporation, by-laws, minutes of meetings, certificates of stock, financial statements, and membership lists.

- RC 91 Colehour Grain Elevator Records (Mt. Carroll) 1 LF

These records partially document the origin, growth, and business activities of Colehour Elevator Incorporated of Mt. Carroll, Illinois during its first eighty years (1869-1950). Although many of the records from the first century of its operation appear to have been lost, this collection documents the financial development of the elevator quite well, particularly during the 1895-1945 period.

Some records relate information on the impact World Wars I and II had on the local grain dealers of northern Illinois. Although a small collection, the documents help trace the beginnings and growth of a typical, small agribusiness.

RC 92 Illinois Industrial Education Association Records 4 LF

The Illinois Industrial Education Association, a non-profit organization and one of four divisions under the Illinois Vocational Association, incorporated on January 12, 1935. The annual and board of directors' meetings in this collection contain minutes, correspondence, resolutions, business reports, membership lists, and programs describing both the I.V.A. and the I.I.E.A. from 1935 to 1972. Supplementary documentation, including policies, reports, resolutions, and correspondence, provide information on the American Vocational Association's activities (1961-1969).

RC 93 Stephenson County Pure Milk Association Collection 4 LF

The materials in this collection document the history of the Stephenson County Pure Milk Association, a dairy cooperative based in Freeport, Illinois, from 1928 to 1957. Articles of incorporation, annual reports, and financial records comprise all known existing records of the cooperative. Although records from the earliest years are sparse, the collection is excellent for research on the cooperative movement of the 1920's and 1930's. Because S.C.P.M.A. merged with the Mid-West Dairymen's Company in 1957, researchers may wish to consult Mid-West's records also held by the Regional History Center (RC #81).

RC 94 Will-DuPage Service Company Records 3 LF

Minutes of the Board of Directors, auditors reports, balance books, a journal of purchases, and photographs partially document the business activities of the Will-DuPage Service Company in Joliet, Illinois from 1927 to 1973. The Service Company provided oil, feed, seed, and fertilizer to area farmers. Records from a short-lived subsidiary of the company, Will-Du Enterprises, Inc., also are included. Will-Du Enterprises organized to promote the production and marketing of poultry, eggs, and livestock. This collection is useful for studying the development of agribusiness in northern Illinois.

RC 95 Afton Community Club Records (Elva) .2 LF

The Afton Community Club organized in 1932 to provide social, educational, and entertainment programs to area families. This collection, primarily comprised of minute books, details the club's projects, financial business, membership changes, and committee assignments. Although a small collection, the records reveal the strong social role played by community clubs during the mid-twentieth century.

- RC 96 Carroll County Farm Bureau Records 7 LF
- Organized to promote business services and educational programs to area farmers, the Carroll County Farm Bureau started several cooperative agribusiness affiliates to minimize price fluctuations and provide supplies to its members. This collection, comprised of minutes of meetings, membership records, agreements, audit reports, and financial ledgers, documents the Farm Bureau from 1921 through 1965 and Carroll County Producers Supplies from 1939 to 1969. Financial records of the Carroll and Jo Daviess Dairy Herd Improvement Association also are available (1937-1946). Researchers should note that only a few pieces of correspondence are contained in the collection and very little supplementary materials (i.e. pamphlets and brochures) are provided.
- RC 97 Sycamore Business and Professional Women's Club Records 2 LF
- The records contained in this collection document the activities of the Sycamore Business and Professional Women's Club from 1926 to 1977. Minute books and yearbooks provide the most comprehensive information on the club's business affairs. Although the early minutes (1926-1945) are missing, background information on these years can be found in the club historian's notes. Nearly one-half of the collection contains records describing the Illinois, National, and International B.P.W. Organizations' concerns. The collection would be most informative for local and women's history research.
- RC 98 Rochelle Business and Professional Women's Club Records 3 LF
- Sponsored by the DeKalb B.P.W. Club in 1968, the Rochelle Business and Professional Women's Club strives to better the circumstances and opportunities for working women through informative programs, scholarships, and active support of local, state, and national legislation of benefit to women. Minutes and the "Nike Naks" newsletters provide the most comprehensive information on the Club's activities. A major portion of the collection includes the papers of Karen Collier, President of the Club (1975-1976), State Young Career Women Chariman (1976-1977), and District VI Chairman (1977-1978). Other club newsletters and material on Illinois and National B.P.W. organizations complete the collection.
- RC 99 DeKalb Business and Professional Women's Club Records 3 LF
- Meeting minutes, presidents' meeting notes, and treasurer's record books and reports comprehensively document the history of the DeKalb Business and Professional Women's Club from 1927 to 1977. The records detail club programs, legislative endorsements, and contributions to local and national charities and other community organizations. Scrapbooks and yearbooks highlight club projects and agendas. The collection is of excellent quality for research on women and local history.

- RC 100 The Johnson Family Records (Rock Falls) 2 LF
- The bulk of this collection documents the business affairs of the Bernhard Johnson Mill and the Johnson family farm and trace the development and interrelationship of these two agribusinesses. Daybooks, cashbooks, ledgers, and contract books contain a wide variety of interfiled information on farm and mill laborers (1894-1910), wholesale commodity prices, railroad freight charges, and the day to day expenses of the Johnson family. Family correspondence (1920-1924) provides insights into the concerns of farm families during the early 1920's with discussions of the state of the agricultural economy and family finances.
- RC 101 Milledgeville Grange Records (Milledgeville) 1 LF
- Offering farmers the opportunity to gather and discuss agricultural problems, the Milledgeville Grange provided an essential service to the agricultural community of Carroll County, Illinois. The Milledgeville Grange records include a complete set of minute books, treasurer's account books, committee lists, community service reports, and two scrapbooks containing information on this organization's activities from 1936 through 1974. In addition to detailing the business concerns of the Grange, these records illustrate the group's support of community affairs in the Milledgeville area. Persons interested in the Grange movement will find valuable information about the structure and function of these groups in this collection.
- RC 102 Genesee Grange Records (Coleta) 1 LF
- Primarily a social organization, the Genesee Grange served to relieve the isolation of farming life through group discussions and entertainment programs. The Genesee Grange Records span the history of that organization from 1934 to its dissolution in 1978. Although records detailing the first three years of the Grange's existence are missing, minute books and a treasurer's account book provide considerable information on Grange business and social functions. The collection also includes a minute book from the Zion Grange of Savanna, Illinois recording activities of that organization from 1963 to 1972.
- RC 103 Kendall County Farm Bureau Records 32 LF
- Organized in 1919, the Kendall County Farm Bureau provided various programs designed to increase the productivity of local farmers. These records extensively document the Bureau's history from 1919 to 1970. Materials include a complete set of meeting minutes, annual and audit reports, newsletters, and financial ledgers. In addition, records for two Bureau affiliates, Kendall County Cold Storage Company and Kendall County Producers Supply, highlight various services offered to local farmers. A small series of documents from the Illinois Agricultural Association contains information on farm advisement activities at the state level. The Kendall County Farm Bureau records provide a valuable illustration of the vital role of local farm bureaus in furthering agricultural interests in Illinois.

- RC 104 Trinity Lutheran Church Records (Mt. Morris) 14 LF
- Providing valuable insight into the history of Lutheranism and German ethnicity in northern Illinois, the Trinity Lutheran Church Records document the growth and development of the Mt. Morris church from 1857 to 1977. Church council minutes (1857-1972), congregational minutes, annual reports, and financial records contain information on administrative and community concerns of the Trinity membership. A series of building records comprehensively detail the construction of the new church dedicated in 1952. Meeting minutes and financial records from over fifteen church organizations reveal the strong social and community interest of Trinity members. Photographs, architectural drawings, and two scrapbooks supplement the written materials in the collection. Finally, the collection includes records from the Illinois Synod and annual reports from many northern Illinois churches.
- RC 105 Kendall-Grundy Farm Service Company Records 25 LF
- Kendall-Grundy FS, Inc. has its beginnings in two separate companies, Kendall Farmers Oil and Grundy Service Company. This collection documents the history of these two closely managed companies from 1928 to 1970. Also included are records from the Grundy Grain and Supply Company; a small company purchased by Grundy Service Co. in 1952. Although there are no printed materials or correspondence in the collection, the minutes, audit reports, purchase/sales journals, and general financial ledgers, completely detail the history of each business prior to the final merging which formed the Kendall-Grundy FS in 1971.
- RC 106 Grundy County Farm Bureau Records 5 LF
- The Grundy County Farm Bureau organized in 1914 to advise farmers in planning and organizing their farm businesses. These records document the history of the Bureau from 1914 to 1970. Materials include a complete set of meeting minutes, along with audit reports and general financial ledgers. In addition, records from two bureau affiliates, the Grundy Producers Supply and Grundy Refrigerated Locker Association, contain information on the various services provided by these cooperatives. A minute book from the Farm Bureau's predecessor, the Grundy County Agricultural Society, details the advancement of agricultural mechanics in 19th-century Grundy County.
- For insight into the activities of farm bureaus in Illinois, the Grundy County Farm Bureau records provide extensive information on the educational, legislative, and economic functions of these agricultural advising organizations.
- RC 107 Kishwaukee Audubon Society Records (DeKalb) 1 LF
- The Kishwaukee Audubon Society Collection provides a comprehensive illustration of a group of local people not only dedicated to learning more about nature, but also intensely concerned with preserving the natural environment of DeKalb County, Illinois.

Included in this collection are society minutes, financial reports, membership lists, committee reports, and a nearly complete set of monthly newsletters (1960-1980). These records detail the society's business concerns and educational projects designed to familiarize members with environmental topics. Other materials supplied by local, state, and national public and private environmental agencies contain general ecological information.

RC 108 Harmony Grange Records (Caledonia) 1 LF

The Harmony Grange created a cohesive feeling among isolated agricultural families through meetings and sponsoring social functions in the Caledonia, Illinois community. These records document the establishment and history of the Grange from 1874 to 1978. Materials include minute books (1874-1955), a secretary's record, treasurer's account book, dues account book, and a community service notebook. In addition, a treasurer's account book and membership list from Harmony Junior Grange No. 78, document the history of that organization from 1964 to 1968.

RC 109 Farmers Elevator Company Records (Yorkville) 25 LF

Meeting minutes, audit reports, correspondence, legal agreements, and financial ledgers document the history of the Farmers Elevator Company from 1908 to 1975. Although the minutes are incomplete (1908-1923, 1960-1969), the financial history of the company is comprehensively contained in day books, general ledgers, and grain sales and shipments records. Little information is available on the coal and lumber facets of the business. Of particular interest is correspondence from the United States Food Administration (1917-1918) describing government required reports on railroad shipments and grain purchases. The collection is excellent for research on agribusiness in northern Illinois.

RC 110 Wheatland Plow Match Association Records (Wheatland) 1 LF

The Wheatland Plow Match Association, one of the oldest outdoor farming event organizers in the U.S., furnished exciting and competitive recreational activities for thousands of people. These records partially document the history of the organization from 1922 to 1978. Materials from the first 55 years of the organization's existence, 1877-1912, are missing. Nevertheless, the surviving records, particularly the meeting minutes, provide extensive information on the group's business affairs. Correspondence, programs, newspaper articles, scrapbooks, and photographs complete the collection. These records provide a unique opportunity for research on this common form of rural entertainment.

RC 111 Guy Lanan Farm Records (Kingston) 2 LF

Researchers interested in the administration of farms will find that the Guy Lanan farm records provide substantial information on yearly business activity of a twentieth-century northern Illinois farm.

The Records document the history of the farm from 1848 to 1965 and include a complete series of farm account books (1915-1965) and two threshing account books. Although few records deal with the early history of the farm, several land indentures provide details of farm land transfers in the mid-nineteenth century. In addition, the collection contains an account book kept by Henry A. Lanan while he was treasurer of the Kingston Mutual Fire Insurance Company from 1911 to 1939.

- RC 112 Jolly Neighbors Club Records (Prophetstown) 1 LF
 Alleviating the isolation of rural life, the Jolly Neighbors Club of Prophetstown, Illinois offered women an opportunity to participate in social discussions and entertainment programs. This collection documents the organization's history from 1915 to its dissolution in 1980. Minute books, program calendars, scrapbooks, and a club history illustrate the club's goal to fulfill a need of local women to seek new friendships and broaden their knowledge of domestic and social concerns. In addition, the collection contains literature from the Illinois Federation of Women's Clubs detailing the state-wide activities of women's clubs in Illinois.
- RC 113 Princeton Game and Fish Club Records (Princeton) 3 LF
 Organized to encourage and promote the sports of hunting and fishing, the Princeton Game and Fish Club Records reveal the wildlife conservation policies of the state of Illinois from 1877 to 1972. Minutes, correspondence, and treasurer's records detail the club's semi-annual business meetings, decisions on membership applications, and responses to game laws. The availability of game and the club's hunting success for each season is detailed in the kill records (1943-1972). Legal documents, responses to flood control proposals, and conservation information complete the collection.
- RC 114 Starline, Inc. Records (Harvard) 7 LF
 Three record series groups, Starline records, Federal Malleable Company records, and related companies' records, trace the development of the Starline corporation from 1902 to 1973. Articles of incorporation, minutes, correspondence, president's reports, annual reports and financial statements, audits and product catalogs, reveal the company's corporate policies, organizational changes, and production statistics. Although there are no records pre-dating the company's incorporation in 1902, the historical files contain basic background information on the company's beginnings. As one of the nation's principal inventors and manufacturers of streamlined farming equipment, Starline's records provide a rich resource for studying American industrialization.

- RC 115 Franklin Grove Collection 2 LF

The Franklin Grove Collection contains a variety of documents detailing facets of the community's history. Of particular interest are the records from the Cross Road Community Club (1932-1980) and the Franklin Grove Nursery (1844-1884); both organizations played vital roles in community development. Types of records include minutes, account books, catalogs, and price lists. In addition, a partial run of "The Franklin Reporter" (1880-1956) provides background information on Franklin Grove's history.

- RC 116 Westclox Incorporated Records (LaSalle) 22 LF

The Westclox records document the establishment and history of an international clock manufacturing firm from 1885 to 1970. Six record series constitute the collection: minutes, correspondence, financial records, department reports, company publications, and graphic materials. "Tick Talk," the company's newsmagazine, contains articles and photographs describing product and factory development as well as feature stories on plant workers. Additional photographs and product shots depict employee working conditions and the evolution of Westclox product design since the 1880's. Materials dealing with Westclox's role during World War II provide an interesting record of war mobilization.

- RC 117 Hall Family Collection (Sycamore) 1 LF

Correspondence, diaries, legal documents, genealogical notes, publications, photographs, postcards, and theater programs document four generations of the Horace Hall family from 1815 to 1946. The correspondence details family lifestyles in the last half of the nineteenth century and provides insight on family attitudes during the Civil War period.

- RC 118 DeKalb League of Women Voters Records 3 LF

As one of the first local Leagues formed following the organization of the Illinois League of Women Voters, the DeKalb League of Women Voters presents a unique opportunity to study the political atmosphere of city, county, state, and national government since 1936. Although very little material in the collection pre-dates 1936, there are some documents, particularly the group's history, which details the League's activities since its organization in 1921. The minutes, newsletters, correspondence, and annual reports (1924-1978) describe government policies of interest to the League, the projects undertaken by members to educate the public politically, and national League concerns.

Information is available on the League's efforts to save the city park in the 1930's, its support of the city manager form of government, and a membership evaluation of the DeKalb County Jail in 1976. Women's organizational records, politicians' papers, and local government records may provide additional and related information to researchers.

- RC 119 Wheatland-Salem United Methodist Church Records 3 LF
- Wheatland-Salem Methodist Church began in 1860 as two small, separate congregations in Wheatland Township--the Wheatland Society and the Copenhagen Church. This collection partially documents the church's history from 1860 to 1963. Although a fire destroyed a portion of the organization's records in 1927, some of the early documents did not perish. The minutes, quarterly conference reports, and financial account books provide the most comprehensive information on the church. The Sunday School and church organizations are well-documented in minutes and treasurer's records. A few photographs provide visual documentation of the church's growth. These records provide a unique insight into the history of the early circuit-riding pastors and their congregations in northern Illinois.
- RC 120 Mendota Business and Professional Women's Club Records 3 LF
- Forty-five charter members organized the Mendota Business and Professional Women's Club on February 10, 1937. This collection comprises a small portion of the records created by the club; minutes, correspondence, treasurer's records, and membership statements pre-dating 1954 have been lost. Only the scrapbooks (1937-1975) provide some detail on the club's activities since its organization. For additional information on Business and Professional Women's Clubs, see the Regional History Center guide index for collection titles and numbers.
- RC 121 Woodstock Business and Professional Women's Club Records 2 LF
- Minutes, correspondence, and annual reports in the Woodstock Business and Professional Women's Club Records provide a limited history of the organization from 1934 to 1980. Although the collection contains no records documenting the early history of the group, newsletters and scrapbooks detail the various programs sponsored by the club through its first 45 years. These records reveal the community orientation of the group and highlight the various club functions designed to enrich the lives of business and professional women in the Woodstock area.
- RC 122 Belvidere Business and Professional Women's Club 3 LF
- Sponsored by the Rockford Business and Professional Women's Club, the Belvidere B.P.W. Club received its charter on March 5, 1935. Although a major portion of the meeting minutes is missing (1940-1973), the correspondence, financial records, membership statements, newsletters, scrapbooks, and history reveal the club's activities during this time. The years 1950-1978 are comparatively better documented than the early years. Files on the Equal Rights Amendment, legislation, and National Business Women's Week detail local and national club policies. Researchers may wish to consult the other B.P.W. Club records collections held by the Center.

- RC 123 W. F. and John Barnes Company Records (Rockford) 4 LF
- The W.F. and John Barnes Records document the history of this machine tool corporation from 1878 to 1963. The collection lacks the minutes recording the company's origins, yet company histories, annual reports, correspondence, and financial records provide information on organizational and production changes. Photographs portray the factory's interior and exterior growth throughout the company's history, and architectural drawings depict the plant facilities and machine building specifications. Two shipping registers (1919-1940) furnish the names and location of Barnes' customers.
- These records not only provide useful research information regarding industrial production, but also detail the effect of the Second World War on the American manufacturing industry.
- RC 124 Judge A. G. Kennedy Papers (DeKalb) .2 LF
- Judge A.G. Kennedy, born in 1866, served as DeKalb city attorney, DeKalb County state's attorney, and DeKalb City Judge. These records partially document his law partnership with Dennis J. Collins (See Collins Collection, RC #5). Included are correspondence, affidavits, and business and personal invoices (1941-1944).
- RC 125 Rockford Council of Social Agencies Records .2 LF
- Organized to improve the social work activities of the Rockford area, the Rockford Council of Social Agencies helped citizens in a variety of ways. This collection gives some insight into the organization's works from 1930 to 1945. Minutes and correspondence reveal the group's efforts to minimize difficulties encountered during the Great Depression and World War II. Although a small collection, the materials reveal the social concerns of this time period.
- RC 126 Grand Army of the Republic Records (DeKalb) .8 LF
- The work of the Grand Army of the Republic included preservation of the heritage of Civil War veterans and providing care for disabled veterans and their families. These records document the contribution of the Merritt Simonds Post No. 283 toward achieving the goals of the national Army. A membership book, a financial accounts journal, and a cash statement book partially document the history of the Merritt Simonds Post from 1887 to 1923. In addition, records from the Malta G.A.R., the Soldiers Memorial Assoc., and the Women's Relief Corps furnish supplementary information on the activities of local Civil War veterans organizations.
- RC 127 DeKalb Daughters of Veterans Records .5 LF
- Minutes, semi-annual reports, correspondence, membership and financial records reveal the Daughters of Veterans concerns with helping the widows and orphans of Civil War heroes. The records date from 1897 to 1909. Researchers interested in veteran's organizations also might consult the DeKalb Grand Army of the Republic Records (RC #126).

- RC 128 McHenry County Pomona Grange Records 1 LF
 Primarily comprised of meeting minutes (1952-1975), the McHenry County Pomona Grange record collection documents the programs and projects undertaken by the Grange. Each meeting consists of reports from appointed committees on topics important to the farming community, reports from the county's six subordinate Granges, and a program designed to educate the members on a wide range of subjects. Articles of incorporation, correspondence, a program, certificates, and photographs complete the collection.
- RC 129 Friends in Council Records (Princeton) 2 LF
 Organized for the mutual improvement of women by means of reading and studying, the Friends in Council meets weekly (since 1880) to discuss a chosen topic ranging from European history and wars to religion and music. The collection primarily consists of minute books (1880-1967) detailing the topic of the meeting lecture and current events of each week. A record of members and annual banquet programs discusses the topic of the annual meeting and includes a transcription of the special lecture delivered at the meeting. Annual programs, annual banquet programs, and booklets from other Friends in Council organizations complete the collection.
- RC 130 Sterling-Rock Falls Ministerial Association Records .5 LF
 Organized to promote cooperation among Christian ministers from the greater Sterling-Rock Falls area, the Ministerial Association worked to educate citizens on local churches and their programs. Primarily comprised of meeting minutes (1948-1978), the records detail the Association's concerns, projects, and finances.
- RC 131 The Star Reporter (McHenry County) .75 LF
 This collection of The Star Reporter dates from 1965 to 1981: the run is incomplete with 1976-1980 missing. The Reporter contains a wide variety of information on activities in McHenry County, especially in governmental affairs. Topics include public schools, population, transportation, and government structure.
- RC 132 Forest City Wholesale Grocery Company Records (Rockford) 1 LF
 Minutes, a general ledger, and a stock certificate book partially document the history of the Forest City Wholesale Grocery Company from 1907 to 1974.
- RC 133 Blackhawk Trails Club Records (Rockford) 2 LF
 Organized in 1926 to provide recreational entertainment to Rockford area citizens, the Blackhawk Trails Club plans hiking trips throughout northern Illinois and southern Wisconsin. The constitutions and by-laws, minutes, newsletters, and bulletins

(1926-1970) comprehensively document the history and growth in popularity of this organization. The newsletters, "Talk O' The Trails", highlight group activities and include gossip items, poetry, philosophical themes, and presidents' messages. Club rosters (1936-1969) provide documentation of membership trends over the years.

RC 134 Boone County Pomona Grange Records 1 LF

The Boone County Pomona Grange organized in 1897 to provide social, educational, and fraternal fellowship to its members. The records in this collection document topics of discussion, subordinate Grange activities, and membership and dues fluctuations. The meeting minutes (1897-1973) detail resolutions passed by the group supporting or opposing legislative measures. Several state Grange records including programs and rosters, complete the collection. For additional information on northern Illinois Grange organizations researchers may wish to consult the other Grange collections held by the Regional History Center.

RC 135 Marengo Grange Records 1 LF

The Marengo Grange Records date from 1950-1980 and include local, state, and national monthly meeting minutes, journals of proceedings, programs, and rosters. The collection provides information on Grange committee activities and their efforts to strengthen the farming community.

RC 136 E. J. "Zeke" Giorgi Papers (Rockford) 11 LF

Edolo J. "Zeke" Giorgi currently serves as State Representative from the 34th District, a position he has held since 1965. His papers are organized into three series: constituent correspondence, topical files, and topical newspaper files. Major subjects covered include the Board of Higher Education, energy, environmental protection, E.R.A., health care, law enforcement, the lottery, unemployment and workmen's compensation, and welfare.

RC 137 Elgin League of Women Voters Records 1.2 LF

This collection represents a small portion of the records generated by the organization; materials pre-dating 1962 have been lost. Meeting minutes, annual reports, and monthly bulletins document the group's programs although they are incomplete. Topics covered include welfare, housing discrimination, equal opportunity, human resources, the Kane County food stamp program, and the Illinois Constitutional Convention.

RC 138 Rockford Building and Construction Trades Council 14 LF

The collection is arranged in four series: meeting minutes, topical correspondence files, wage scales and contracts, and

financial records (1937-1968). The history of the labor union is documented as well as the local impact of major national events over the past forty years - the Great Depression, World War II, the Taft-Hartley Act, the merger of the AFL and CIO, government's increasing role in the construction industry, and the building boom of the 1960's.

- RC 139 City of DeKalb Collection 1 LF
- Records in this collection were gathered from many different sources. The materials, organized into two series, document urban renewal and demographic and economic changes as well as the DeKalb Chamber of Commerce. A 1947 town survey and a 1913 photograph book are available for background information.
- RC 140 DeKalb Ag Research Records 35 LF
- The materials in this collection provide enough information for a basic history of the company, for analyzing marketing techniques, and for documenting the role DeKalb Ag has played in world agribusiness. Records include three financial journals from the company's earliest years (1936-1942), a complete run of the publication Acres of Gold, and typescript company histories. Photographs, tapes, films, slides, and phonograph records complement the primary documents; annual reports and executive correspondence have not yet been added to the collection.
- RC 141 East Oswego Farmers Club .5 LF
- The East Oswego Farmers Club was organized in the spring of 1919 to improve soil fertility, livestock breeding, farmstead buildings, and rural life in general. Records in this collection span the entire history of the club from 1919 to 1959 and include a complete set of minutes and a small amount of correspondence.
- RC 142 Beaver Valley Grange Records 1 LF
- The Beaver Valley Grange organized December 4, 1916 with 19 members. These records document its history through 1973. Juvenile Grange records also are available. Topics discussed range from the science of agriculture through the proper roles for men and women in rural life to political legislation on the state and national levels.

- RC 143 Joliet Region League of Women Voters Records 2 LF
 These records provide documentation on governmental and social concerns for the Joliet and Will County areas and on League activities from 1950 to 1976. Included are histories, meeting minutes, yearbooks and membership handbooks, topical files, publications, newspaper clippings, photographs, and scrapbooks. Material on education in Joliet is the most comprehensive topical file. Other topics include civil rights, the Illinois Constitutional Convention, intergovernmental relations, voters registration, and the sanitary district.
- RC 144 District Two, Illinois Nurses' Association Records 2.5 LF
 Administrative records, financial records, membership records, publications, and other organizations' records comprise the five record series in this collection (1914-1978). Substantial information on the development of the nursing profession is provided. In addition, an indication of advancements in medicine may be gleaned from the documents as well as the effect World Wars I and II had on medical careers.
- RC 145 Rockford United Labor, AFL-CIO, Records 2.5 LF
 The Rockford United Labor records trace the history of the organization from its founding in 1957 to 1977. The four series include administrative records, committee records, subject files, and publications and printed materials. This collection primarily documents legislation affecting labor unions and the organization's contributions to the community of Rockford.
- RC 146 Fairdale Methodist Church Records 0.5 LF
 Records in this collection document the pastors, baptisms, marriages and probationers of the Fairdale Methodist Church for the years 1859-1926. The four record books were created by several churches which merged to form the Fairdale Church.
- RC 147 People for Public Access Incorporated Records 1 LF
 People for Public Access, Inc. was organized with the help of Warner Cable Company to provide a non-commercial cable television channel for the DeKalb and Sycamore communities. Minutes of meetings, budgets and programming information trace the history of this organization from its incorporation in 1973 to 1983.
- RC 148 District VI Business and Professional Women's Club Records 1 LF
 District VI was formed in 1969 after going through several growing phases since its original formation as District III. Its purpose is to act as liason between local clubs and the state organizations. A complete run of meeting minutes, correspondence and treasurer's reports trace the growth of the district and local clubs from 1945 to 1982.

- RC 149 Geneva-St. Charles League of Women Voters Records 3 LF
 The Geneva-St. Charles L.W.V. records date from 1922 to 1928 and from 1947 to 1979. The early records document the Kane County Council L.W.V. as well. Subject files contain materials on the Illinois Constitutional Convention, day care, housing, public school finance, and land use. Also included are studies done in the 1950's on the boys and girls at Illinois State Training School. County surveys document education, government, the justice department, public health, and school reorganization.
- RC 150 Robert McGaw Papers
 Closed to researchers.
- RC 151 Aurora League of Women Voters Records 2 LF
 Meeting minutes, annual reports, correspondence, budgets, bulletins, and scrapbooks comprise a major portion of this collection (1947-1982). Subject files document some of the studies conducted by the League on local government, downtown redevelopment, housing, and public health. Publications, photographs, and newspaper clippings complete the collection.
- RC 152 Will-Grundy Building Trades Council Records 2 LF
 The records in this collection partially document the history of the Will-Grundy Building Trades Council. There are no records pre-dating 1934 and materials dating 1935 to 1979 are incomplete. The collection does, however, provide information on the labor climate of the two counties particularly concerning local union strikes. Subject files contain correspondence from affiliated local unions and materials on many different topics of concern to businessmen and laborers.
- RC 153 Elgin Trades Council Records 2 LF
 This collection represents a small portion of the records generated by the Council; records pre-dating 1965 have been lost. There also is material from the Elgin Association of Commerce, the Aurora Labor and Trades Assembly, and the Kane County Building and Construction Trades Council. The records provide some information on the labor climate in the Kane County area.
- RC 154 American Legion Post No. 66 - DeKalb Records 1 LF
 This collection documents the activities of the DeKalb American Legion Post from its founding in 1919 to 1979. The records include meeting minutes, membership records, maps and photographs. There are large gaps in the dates of documentation.

- RC 155 First Congregational Church Records (Sterling) 6 LF
- This collection documents the history of the First Congregational Church from its founding in 1857 through 1981. The materials describe church actions taken on building development, recruitment of new pastors, membership problems, and the financial status of the society. There also are letters of transfer and dismissal for the years 1883 to 1973. For those studying religious history as well as citizen response to the Great Depression and World Wars I and II, this collection can provide important documentary evidence.
- RC 156 Illinois Valley Area Chamber of Commerce (LaSalle) 3 LF
- This collection provides an excellent opportunity for studying the growth of the Illinois Valley region. Included are meeting minutes, surveys and reports, and the records of special programs held by the organization (Example: Red Carpet Days) between 1946 and 1980. Information is available on the economy, industry, employment, and the populations of LaSalle, Peru, Oglesby, and Spring Valley.
- RC 157 Joliet Region Chamber of Commerce and Industry Records 27.5 LF
- Business and community leaders first organized the Joliet Association of Commerce in 1914; in 1924 the Association merged with several organizations to form the Joliet Chamber of Commerce. Records in the collection date from 1917 to 1979 and are arranged in two series: bound volumes of minutes, reports, correspondence, and surveys, 1917-1977; subject files dealing with city development and government, 1950-1979.
- RC 158 DeKalb Township Records 1 LF
- Four bound volumes spanning the period 1851 to 1938 provide a fairly complete record of taxes collected, disbursements, town meetings, and the development of township roads. Meeting minutes are complete for the period 1886 to 1938; records after 1938 are maintained in the current township offices.
- RC 159 Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission Records 5 LF
- Elected official in Cook, DuPage, Kane, Lake, McHenry, and Will counties created the commission in 1957 to study the problems of public health, safety, welfare, and transportation. Records in this collection date from 1960 to 1980 and consist of reports, surveys, plans, and subject files dealing with transportation, land use, waste treatment, and water resources. Planning and study records for the following cities are included in the collection: Aurora, Batavia, Elgin, Geneva, St. Charles and Dundee.

- RC 160 United Methodist Church of Batavia 5 LF
 The First Methodist Church and the Swedish Methodist Church merged in 1971 to form the United Methodist Church of Batavia: this collection contains records from both predecessor congregations. The records date from 1844 to 1976 with some gaps. Included are meeting minutes, financial records, Rock River Conference publications and minutes, and records from organizations within the two predecessor churches.
- RC 161 John K. Morris Papers 5 LF
 This collection documents Morris' career as an Illinois State Representative, Chairman of the Property Tax Appeal Board (PTAB) and farmer. Papers from his service as a legislator (1946-1966) cover agricultural and tax reform issues. The majority of the collection concerns his activities at PTAB chairman (1967-1980). These papers include copies of the Board's decisions such as in the case of the Zion Nuclear Power Plant.
- RC 162 American Interprofessional Institute Records 3 LF
 Records in this collection document the history of the Institute from 1924 to 1976, however material previous to 1954 is sparse. The Institute was organized in 1924 to promote communication and cooperation among professions. National activities are documented through minutes, correspondence and the Institute's quarterly publication. Membership rosters document the growth of individual chapters.
- RC 163 Lucinda O. Wanner Collection 45 LF
 Lucinda Obermeyer Wanner was born June 19, 1899 in Chicago. She married Arthur Wanner in 1921 and lived with him in Glen Ellyn, Illinois. It was there that Mrs. Wanner began her activities as a Republican Party volunteer which continued until her death in 1976. This collection reflects Mrs. Wanner's social and political interests from 1900 to 1976, including her early work with the Girl Scouts, the Parent-Teacher Association and on infant welfare. Her later work on the DuPage County Jury Commission, as a Republican Party Committeewoman and as a delegate to four national conventions are documented through correspondence, subject files and photographs. The Everett McKinley Dirksen Congressional Leadership Research Center received Mrs. Wanner's papers from her daughter. After arranging and describing the collection, the Center decided to deposit the Wanner papers in the Earl W. Hayter Regional History Center where there were more complementary collections.
- RC 164 Kane County Development Department Records 10 LF
 This collection documents the work of the department from its creation in 1957 through 1980. Reports, budgets, planning studies,

correspondence, and publications cover such major areas as zoning, transportation, sanitation, water and soil conservation, economic growth, and historic preservation. The files include information on Aurora, Batavia, Geneva, St. Charles, Elgin, and several other smaller towns. Also included are minutes, reports, and correspondence from the Northeastern Illinois Planning Commission (RC 159).

RC 165 Altrusa Club Records (DeKalb-Sycamore) 1.5 LF

The Altrusa Club of DeKalb and Sycamore is part of a national service organization for women who hold supervisory positions in various professions. Through yearbooks, minutes, and financial reports this collection documents the activities of the club from its founding in 1961 to 1982.

RC 166 Jordan Hardware Company Records (Ottawa) 9 LF

Richard Cook Jordan took over John Manley's hardware business in 1889 and passed it on to his son and grandson. Inventories, sales, records, financial ledger, and correspondence document the business from its beginning in 1852 but most of the records are from the period 1920-1970. A short company history and records from the Ottawa centennial claim Jordan Hardware to be the oldest continuously operated hardware store in the state of Illinois.

RC 167 Matthiessen-Hegeler Zinc Company Records (LaSalle) 73 LF

Edward C. Hegeler and Frederick O. Matthiessen created the zinc company in LaSalle, Illinois in 1858. It quickly grew to become one of the largest manufacturers of zinc in the country and was one of LaSalle's largest employers for over a century (1870-1970). With the exception of executive correspondence, the collection provides excellent coverage of all aspects of the company's activities, including subsidiaries. Records include: ledgers, contracts, employer registers, industry catalogs, local maps, balance sheets, annual reports, stock certificates, and some meeting minutes.

RC 168 Joseph B. Ebbesen Papers (DeKalb) 12 LF

Joseph Ebbesen, a professional optometrist, served the city of DeKalb as a councilman (1961-1965) and mayor (1965-1969) before election to the Illinois General Assembly where he served in the House of Representatives from 1972 to 1984. Most of the records in the collection relate to Ebbesen's legislative career and include constituent correspondence, subject files, legislative bills, press clippings, and publications. The collection is strongest in the areas of fiscal policy, public health, higher education, and pension reform.

RC 169 Wurlitzer Company Records (DeKalb) 53 LF

Rudolph Wurlitzer began selling musical instruments in Cincinnati in 1856. From a single store the business expanded to

include the manufacture and sales of organs, pianos, and jukeboxes around the world. Records in the collection span the period 1860 to 1960 but are most complete for the years 1899 to 1960. The collection is organized into eight major series: historical publications and general corporate records, subsidiary companies, employee and production, sales and publications, products and publicity photographs, maps and charts, and organ drawings.

- RC 170 DeKalb-Ogle County Labor Council Records 1 LF
 A small central labor council, DeKalb-Ogle dates back only to 1966 and the correspondence, minutes, and newsletters in the collection trace the activities of the council through its first fifteen years. Some materials from the Illinois Federation and Labor and the national AFL-CIO are included in the records.
- RC 171 Sterling Chamber of Commerce Records 12 LF
 Meeting minutes, scrapbooks, newsletters, subject files, correspondence, promotional publications, and ledgers document the activities of the Chamber from 1910 to 1978. Records prior to 1956 include neighboring Rock Falls (see RC 172). This collection provides a fairly complete view of the economic development and retail trade in the Sterling-Rock Falls area in the twentieth century.
- RC 172 Rock Falls Chamber of Commerce Records 1 LF
 This collection documents the work of the Rock Falls Chamber from 1956 to 1984: records for Rock Falls prior to 1956 may be found in RC 171. Documents include minutes of meetings, financial records, correspondence, and newspaper clipping files showing the growth of business in Rock Falls during the past quarter century.
- RC 173 Dixon Chamber of Commerce Records 4 LF
 Most of the records in the collection date from the post World War II period and some of these were damaged by a fire: there are meeting minutes from the 1920's and 1930's. The files include promotional materials for special events, publications, correspondence, local directories, and economic development plans.
- RC 174 David C. Shapiro Papers 11 LF
 David Shapiro, a practicing dentist from Amboy, served in the Illinois General Assembly from 1968 until his death in 1981. After serving two terms in the House, Shapiro was elected to the Senate in 1972 and rose to the position of minority leader. Legislative bills, subject files, constituent correspondence, and Republican Party files cover his political career in detail. There are no personal records or records from his dental practice in the collection.

- RC 175 All Rockford Party Records .25 LF
 The All Rockford Party was organized in 1957 to support Benjamin Schleicher, a mayoral candidate. Schleicher won and went on to serve four terms as mayor (1957-1973). Minutes, committee reports, platforms, and financial records document the party's policies, candidates, and activities from 1957 to 1967.
- RC 176 Commonwealth Edison Company Records 1.5 LF
 Although small in volume these records trace the origins of Commonwealth Edison predecessors and subsidiaries across the northern Illinois region from the Civil War to the 1920's. Contracts, financial records, and annual reports document the evolution of energy public utilities services in over fifty cities and towns of the region.
- RC 177 Central Labor Union of Freeport 9 LF
 The central labor council dates from around 1900 but most of the early records have been lost. Minutes, correspondence, ledgers, subject files, and membership rolls in the collection date from 1937 to 1978 and illustrate the role of the central in social and political issues in the community. The collection also contains some records from the Northwest Illinois Carpenter's Council, the Freeport Building and Construction Trade's Council, and the Illinois Federation of Labor.
- RC 199 Postcard Collection
 The 4,450 cards in the collection provide a unique source for artistic and photographic documentation of people, places, and events in the 1900-1940 period. Arrangement is by geographic place name and by subject.
- RC 200 Posters, Maps, Photos, Calendars - Oversize
 There are five major series in the collection: (1) railroad calendars and drawings, (2) 575 posters from World Wars I and II, (3) regional maps (4) oversize photographs, (5) historic newspapers. There is an item level inventory available.

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- 4.25 Chase Family Records; Last Will and Testament for Elijah Chase, and Pension Records, (1872-1891)
- 4.26 William G. Eckhardt, First Farm Advisor to DeKalb County; Agreement for the Corn Belt Seed Co., Tributes to Eckhardt, Patent - "Means for Handling Ear Corn", Photographs, Certificate, and Genealogical Charts, 1924-1925
- 4.27 Senator Daniel D. Hunt; Photographs, Invitations, Personal Property Tax Receipt, (1870-1903)
- 4.28 Egyptian Theatre, DeKalb; Photographs, Playbills, Daily Reports, (1971-1975)
- 4.29 (a,b) Pogue Lumber Co., Waterman; Ledger Book, Invoices, Tax Return, Inventories, Correspondence, 1930-1944
- 4.30 Settle Farm (located between Maple Park and Sycamore) Accounts; Day Book, 1910-1913
- 4.31 German Presbyterian Church, Sandwich; Record Book with Constitution (in German), 1865-1910
- 4.32 Salem Lutheran Church, Sycamore; Minute Books (2) for Circle No. 5, 1930-1938, and Minute Book for Lutheran Brotherhood (partially in Swedish), 1917-1933
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LaSalle County:	1820-1880, 1900
Lee County:	1820-1880, 1900
McHenry County:	1820-1880, 1900
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MAIN SUBJECT	REGIONAL COLLECTIONS			VFM	THESES	
AAUW	56					
Adamec, Jo				4.63		
Adams, Thomas J.	2					
Afton	95			4.48		
Agricultural Implements	85	114			8 60	23 101
Agricultural Industr	86 95	90	140	4.17	8	
Agriculture	20 114	51 106	85 5	4.56 4.26	72 6	65 63
Agriculture continued	157				54 123	119
Agriculture Cooperatives	11	16			15 123	58
Airports	157					
All-American Mohawk	169					
All Rockford Party	175					
Allen, Abba				7.9 7.10		
Almanacs				19.24 19.25		
Altrusa Club	165					
Amboy	50	174	199			
American Farm Moveme					123	
American Interprofes	162					
American Legion	154					
American Standard Co	78					
American Steel & Wir	1				79	
American Wagon Compa				11.1		
Anderson Coal Compan	57					
Apollo Piano Company	169					
Apple River					33	
Apportionment	5					
Architecture	32				104	
Arlington Heights He					114	
Armistice Day						
Army	200					
Artists					51	84
Arts Club				4.52		
Assessment	161					
Associated Milk Prod	62	81				
Atchison and Hildebr	31					
Attorneys						

MAIN SUBJECT	REGIONAL COLLECTIONS			VFM	THESES	
Audubon Societies	107					
Augustana Synod	83					
Aurora	32	159	163	4.13	73	
	151	199	200			
Automobiles	29	48	1			
	200					
Bachelder, Fred				18.4		
Baker, Louise				4.62		
Baldwin Family	41					
Banking	70				75	
Barbed Wire	1	6	9	4.50	50	79
Barnes, John	123					
Barns	114					
Batavia	159	164	82			
	160	200				
Batavia First Congre	82					
Beaver Valley Grange	142					
Behr, Joseph	57					
Belvidere	35	122	134	18.10		
Bensonville					32	
Bethel Methodist				13.3		
Biester, William	35					
Big Foot Corporation	114					
Blackberry Township	74				14	
Blackhawk Statue					51	
Blackhawk Trails Clu	133					
Blacksmithing	22	78	85			
Blanchard, Jonath					91	
Boone Co.	134	142			2	
Borggren, Hilmer	12	66				
Boxer Rebellion				19.14		
Bradt Family	200	46	49			
Brethren Church				13.5		
Bridgewater Gas Comp	1					
Broadsides	26					
Bryant Family	27					
Building Trades						
Bureau Co.	174				21	2
Bush, William	6					
Byron	44	78				
Cabinet Work	57					
Cable Television	147					
Caldwell Piano Compa	169					
Caledonia	108					
Calendars	200					
Campaigns						
Campus Disorders						
Canals				19.2	95	

MAIN SUBJECT	REGIONAL COLLECTIONS			VFM	THESES	
Carmichael Family	57					
Carnegie, Andrew	1				50	
Carol Stream					85	
Carriages	29					
Carroll Co.					2	
Carroll Co. Farm Bur	96					
Case, John P.	86	90				
Castle Family	70	73				
Catholics					108	
Cattle					24	81
Cemeteries	200	49	65	4.9 4.10		
Cemeteries continued				4.48 8.1		
Centennial	200			19.1		
Centennial Farms	74	111				
Centerville Grange				18.15		
Central Illinois Gas	176					
Central Labor Union	177					
Central Market	72					
Centurion Club				18.13		
Chadwick	161					
Chair Makers	59					
Chambers of Commerce	139	156	157			
Chase Family				4.25		
Chautauquas	29					
Chicago	28	199	200	19.21		
Chicago & Northweste	2	51	54			
Chicago Great Wester	54					
Child Welfare	58					
Christmas Cards	199					
Church Architecture					4	
Church Colleges	77					
Church Hay Tool Comp	114					
Churches						
Circuit Riders				19.30		
Civil Rights	28					
Civil War	126	127			93	
Civil War, Correspon	89	117		4.13 19.8		
Civil War, Correspon continued				19.9		
Civil War, Diaries				4.14 4.61		
Civil War, Diaries continued				8.5		

MAIN SUBJECT	REGIONAL COLLECTIONS			VFM	THESES	
Civil War, Diaries continued				7.9 7.10		
Clark, John				18.2		
Climate	200				57	119
Clock Making	116					
Clothing Trade	23					
Clover Dairy Farm	25					
Coal Trade	7	16	22		21	70
	29	47	91		78	
Coal Trade continued	109	200	57			
Colehour Grain Eleva	91					
Coleta	102					
Colleges	77			5.1		
Collins, Dennis J.	5					
Colonial Ice Cream				4.5		
Colwill, H. W.	47					
Commonwealth Edison	176					
Community Colleges					55	100
Congregational Churc Glen Ellyn	163					
Congregationalists	17	34	44	19.19		
	82	155	162			
Conscription					93	
Conservation						
Consolidated Foods	132					
Constitutional Conve Illinois	149					
Construction Industr	138	152	153			
Labor Unions	177					
Consumerism	15					
Cook Co.	163				2	
Cookbooks						
Cooper, Laura	44					
Copenhagen Church	119					
Copley Hospital	144					
Corn					57 80	60
Corron Family				7.1		
Courts	73	124				
Cox, Mary				4.23		
Creameries	25					

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Creston	47	61				
Curner, John				19.30		
Czechoslovakia	199					
Dairying	15	25	57		64	40
	62	81	86			
Dairying	71	87	93			
continued	103	114				
Dairying	15	62	81			
Cooperative	93					
Daley, Richard M.	28					
Daughters of Veteran	127					
Davis, James E.	35					
Dean, Frank C.				4.47		
Deere, John					101	
DeKalb-Ogle Labor Co	170					
DeKalb	15	18	21	4.12	2	23
	23	30	49	4.35	44	50
DeKalb	60	124	139	4.53	56	75
continued	140	144	154	4.58	76	77
DeKalb					104	105
continued					111	120
DeKalb	158	169	170	4.58	94	98
continued	176	199	200	4.62	69	79
DeKalb	3	9	2	4.12		
History				4.35		
DeKalb	139	140	169		23	
Industry						
DeKalb	30	56	99			
Organizations	126	127	165			
DeKalb	5	75	118			
Politics	158	168	174			
DeKalb	13	17	24		4	
Religion	55					
DeKalb Ag Research	43	140		4.26		
DeKalb Co. Farm Bure	52	140				
DeKalb High School	53					
DeKalb Historical So	3	9				
DeKalb Kiwanis	18					
DeKalb League of Wom	118					

MAIN SUBJECT	REGIONAL COLLECTIONS			VFM	THESES	
DeKalb Milk Consumer	15					
DeKalb Piano Company	169					
DeKalb Post Office	21					
DeKleist Manufacturi	169					
Delnor Hospital	144					
DeLong, Hiram	39					
Democratic Party	75	136	150		20	47
	161	28			99	
Depots						
Diaries	27					
1820-1839						
Diaries	34	46	77	7.9		
1840-1869				7.10		
Diaries	8	34	44	4.22		
1870-1909	46	117		7.9		
Diaries	2	8	34	4.22		
1910-1960	44	117		7.9		
Diaries	2			4.62		
DeKalb						
Diaries, Civil War				4.14		
				4.61		
Diaries, Civil War				7.9		
continued				8.5		
Dickerman Family				4.11		
Diedrich, Peter				4.19		
Discrimination	5				45	
Dixon	173	199		11.2	18	
				11.9		
Downers Grove					19	
Draft Horses	110					
Draper Family				4.51		
Drug Stores	39					
Dundee	159	164				
DuPage Co.	4	67	163		2	110
	87	94	159			
DuPage Co. Farm Bure	87	94				
Dye, James				19.17		
Eagle Radio Company	169					
Eagle's Nest					51	
East Oswego Farmers	141					
Eaton, Frank	45					

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Ebbesen, Joseph	168					
Eckhardt, William G.	140			4.26		
Economic Development	156	157	159	4.43		
	164	171	172			
Economy Light & Powe	176					
Education	4	5	8	11.2	7	17
	53	77	92	19.5	31	36
Education	117				71	9
continued					25	55
Education				4.37	100	122
continued						
Egyptian Theater				4.28		
Elburn				7.5		
Elections	163	174	118		99	
Electric Industries	6					
Electric Railroads				18.7		
Electricity	176					
Elgin	159	164	137	7.2	41	45
	199	200	153	7.3	89	113
Elgin Trades Council	153					
Elgin Watch Company				7.3		
Ellwood Wire & Nail	1					
Ellwood, Isaac L.	1	17			50	79
Elmhurst					83	
Elva	95					
Embree Family	200	2	7			
Emmigrants						
Energy						
Episcopalians	55					
Epworth Grove Camp	24					
Equal Rights Amendme	174					
Erlander, John	57					
Erlenborn, John	163					
Ethnic						
Ethnohistory					118	127
Etna Grange	63					
Evergreen Cemetery	200					
Fairdale	80			4.8		
Fairfield				1.1		
Fairs	110	134				
Fairview Cemetery	49					
Family Farms	37	71	74			
	86	100	111			
Family Life	100	111	117			
History, con.						

MAIN SUBJECT	REGIONAL COLLECTIONS			VFM	THESES	
Family Life	27	29	41			
History	44	71	74			
Farm Bureau	43	52	76	4.26	15	
	79	87	94	11.6		
Farm Bureau	96	103	105	13.6		
continued.	106			16.2		
Farm Life	34	37	95			
	100	111	112			
Farm Life	110	112	115			
Societies	141					
Farm Supply Industri	22	94	96			
	103	105	106			
Farm Supply Industri	109					
continued						
Farmer, A. E.				19.11		
Farmers' Unions					12	63
					123	
Farming						
Lawell, Harris W.	4					
Fay, Herbert W.	26					
Fermi Lab				5.2		
Finch, Charles W.	54					
Finnish Americans	15					
Fire Department				4.24		
Firearms	4					
First Congregational	17					
DeKalb						
First Congregational	155					
Sterling						
First Lutheran Churc	83					
First United Methodi	24					
DeKalb						
Five Points				4.64		
Flood Control	159	164				
Folk Medicine				19.12		
Forest City Grocery	132					
Forest Reserves					69	98
Forreston	36					
Forsythe Family	8					

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Fox Indians					27	
Fox River Valley	164				41	82
Francis W. Shimer Co	77					
Franklin Grove	37	115		11.11		
Freeport	31	93	177			
Friends in Council	129					
Fundamentalists					91	
Fur Trade	36					
Furniture Industry	42	57	59			
	60					
Galena				6.1	43	30
				19.9		
Galesburg				19.19		
Game Preserves	113					
Gary, Elbert	1					
Gas	176					
Gates, John W.	1					
Genealogy Societies DeKalb				4.35		
General Assembly	4	5	58			
	136	161	163			
General Assembly continued	168	174			99	
Genesee Grange	102					
Geneseo	34			19.20		
Geneva	72	159	164		5	41
	66	144	149			
Genoa	43					
Geology, Northern IL	200			19.27	33	102
					103	109
Geology, Northern IL continued					112	86
George Heyward Compa	69					
German Americans	104	36	104		46	
	119					
Giorgi, Zeke	136					
Glass Manufacture					3	
Glass Plate Negative	2					
Glen Ellyn	163				11	116
Glidden Family	200	6	46			
Glidden, Joseph F.	6	17			50	79
Gloss, Anna				19.14		

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Goldman, David	57					
Good Roads Movement	46					
Good Templars	66					
Grain	11	16	22	4.42	64	80
	47	91	100		35	
Grain	109	111	140			
continued						
Grand Army of the Re	126					
Grand Detour					101	
Grange	14	61	63	1.2	15	
	64	68	80	18.9		
Grange	135	142	44	18.17		
continued				18.18		
Grange	88	101	102	18.14		
continued	108	128	134	18.15		
Great Depression	7	200				
Greeting Cards	199					
Griffith Family	89					
Grocery Trade	45	72	132	19.26		
Groenewold Fur Compa	36					
Grotberg, John E.	58					
Growing Season					119	
Grundy Co.	144	152		19.29	2	
Grundy Co. Farm Bure	105	106				
Guns						
Gurler Family	25					
Gurler, Henry B.	1					
Gurler, Lulu May	1					
Haish, Jacob				4.50	50	79
Hale				13.1		
Hall Family	117					
Handicapped	4					
Hanover Scenic Grang	64					
Hardware Industry	166	78				
Harmony Grange	108					
Hartland Township					53	
Harvard	71	114				
Harvesters					8	
Hawk Bilt Company	114					
Hayward Family				7.2		
Health Care					29	
Health Center	144					
Heath Family				7.2		
Hemenway Family	2					
Hendrickson, Grant	47					
Henry Co.	34				16	2

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Heraldry	46					
Hereford Cattle	74					
Heyward, George	69					
High Schools	53					
Highways						
Hiking	133					
Hill, Angelina				19.12		
History Societies	3					
Hoard's Dairyman	87					
Hodge, Orville	73					
Hogs					16	24
					58	13
Holstein Cattle	86					
Homewood-Floosmoor D					7	
Hope-Jones Organ Com	169					
Hopkins, Thomas R.	158					
Horses	1				10	
Hospitals	144	164		4.45		
House Construction	7					
Housing					45	
Humor	199					
Hunt, Daniel D.				4.27		
Hunting and Fishing	113					
Huntley Family				4.46		
Hybrid Corn	86	90	140			
IIEA	92					
Illinois-Michigan Ca	200			19.2	95	
Illinois Central Rai					37	90
Illinois Nurses Asso	144					
Illinois Valley	156				52	
Illinois Valley Gas	176					
Immigrants				4.63		
Czech						
Immigrants	15					
Finnish						
Immigrants	36	104	119	4.31	46	
German	167					
Immigrants					113	
Lao						
Immigrants				17.1		
Slovenian				17.2		
Immigrants	12	66				
Societies						
Immigrants	12	33	66	4.32		
Swedish	160	83	84			

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Income Tax				4.19		
Indentures				4.33		
Indian Mounds					118	
Industrial Arts	92					
Industrial Gages Inc	57					
Industry					41	82
					1	52
Insurance Fire	111					
International Harves					8	
Interscholastic Spor						
Interurban Railroads						
Iron Industry	22	85				
Jersey Cattle	71					
Jo Daviess Co.	64			6.2	2	
Johnson Family	100					
Joliet	143	152	157		95	
Joliet Chamber of Co	157					
Jolly Neighbors Club	112					
Jones, Milo A.				19.8		
Jordan Hardware	166					
Joseph Behr and Sons	57					
Journals	27	29		18.2		
Travel				18.11		
Juke Boxes	169					
Kable Printing Compa	20					
Kane Co.	74	137	144	7.6	2	14
	149	151	157	7.7	29	40
Kane Co.	159	164			42	
continued						
Kane Co. Farm Bureau	76					
Kaneland	164					
Kaneville	85					
Kankakee Co.					2	
Kasperson, Lucinda	163					
Kavadas Family	50					
Kendall-Grundy Farm	105					
Kendall Co.	141	10		8.2	106	2
				8.4	35	
Kendall Co. Farm Bur	103	105				
Kendall Co. Record					74	
Kennedy, Archie G.	124					
Kentland	109					
Kettlewell Milk Comp	57					

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Kings				13.3 13.4		
Kingston	111					
Kirkland	16	69				
Kishwaukee Audubon S	107					
Kishwaukee College				4.41		
Knights of Columbus				4.38		
Knights of Pythias	26					
Knitting Industry						
Knodle, Benjamin C.				4.34		
Kohler Company	78					
Koval, F. V.	51					
Labor	138	145	170	4.6	82	
Labor Unions	145	152	175		21	
	170	177	167			
Lake Co.	159			9.1	29	2
Lake Ellyn					11	116
Lake Geneva, Wiscons	199					
Lanan Farm Records	111					
Land Grants				11.9		
Land Use	159	164		19.28		
Lane, Emma				7.9		
Lantern Slides	2					
Lao Refugees					113	
LaSalle	156	167	116	10.6	2	52
LaSalle Tool Company	116					
Law Schools	174					
Lawyers	124	73		4.4		
Lead Mining					102	
Leader Oil Company	47					
Lee				4.3		
Lee Center	50	199				
Lee Co.	115			11.6 11.10	67	2
Legislators	4	5	58		99	
	136	161	168			
Lewis, Ralph	47					
Libraries					5	
Lincoln Highway				4.66		
Lincoln, Abraham	2					
Photographs						
Lindenwood	11	45				
Lipscomb, H. Alan	28					
Livestock	1	6			16 64	58 81

MAIN SUBJECT	REGIONAL COLLECTIONS			VFM	THESES	
Livestock continued					13	24
Lottery	136					
Lovering Family	29					
Luff, Joseph T.	45					
Lumber Trade	7	16	47	4.29		
	69					
Lutherans	83	84	104	11.5 4.32		
Lyric Piano Company	169					
Machine Tools	123				68	
Maine High School					31	
Malta	63	199		4.42		
Malta Women's Club				4.36		
Manufacturing					1	2
					18	
Maps	200					
Marengo Grange	135					
Marsh, Charles W.				4.17		
Marshall, Florence	54					
Marshes						
Matthiessen-Hegeler	167					
Mayfield Cemetery As	65					
McCarthy, Joseph	163					
McGaw, Robert	150					
McHenry Co.	159	131			2	29
					53	
McHenry Co. Grange	128					
McHugh Family				18.3		
Meat Trade	72	103				
Medical Care	39	168		4.45 11.7		
Mendota	120					
Mental Health	4					
Mercy Hospital	144					
Merritt Simonds Post	126					
Meteorology	200					
Methodists	160	119	24	4.11 13.3		
Methodists continued				19.30 4.11		
Midway Amusement Com	57					
Midway Theater	57					

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Midwest Dairymen's C	81					
Mighell, T. G.	22					
Migrant Labor				4.65		
Milk Festival	71					
Milk Foundation	62					
Milledgeville Grange	101					
Miller, Henry	1					
Miller, William A.	1					
Mining Industry	167				3	21
					43	70
Mining Industry continued					78	102
Ministers Associatio	130					
Montgomery	159	164			41	
Morris	105	106	144	8.2	70	78
Morris, John K.	161					
Mortgages					75	
Mounds, Burial					118	
Mount Carroll	77	91				
Mt. Morris	104	20		13.5		
Mt. Zion					3	
Muirhead Family				7.1		
Munthe, Thour	38					
Musical Instruments	169					
N.I.U.	5	200				
Naperville	4	86	90	5.1		
Naperville Churches	119					
National Chair Compa	59					
National Farmers Org					12	
National Guard	200					
National Lock Compan	12					
National Recovery Ac	7					
Nature Conservation				4.48		
Navy	200					
Needham Blacksmith S	85					
Nelson, John	38	83				
New Milford				19.16		
New Pennies	53					
New Year's Cards	199					
Newspapers	131	200			74	107
					114	
Norris Family	74					
North Corn Belt	86	90				
North Shore Electric	176					
Northeastern Illinoi	159					
Northwestern Busines				5.1		

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Northwestern Lines	51					
Nurseries	115					
Nurses	144				61	
Oak Park				19.10		
Oakley, Charles				19.13		
Oakwood Cemetery	200					
Ogden, William B.	51					
Ogle Co.	170	200		13.9	2	76
				13.6		
Oglesby					52	
Oil Industries	47	105	31			
	48					
Opera				19.21		
Optometry	168					
Oregon	199			13.8	51	
Organs	169					
Osgood Family				13.1		
Oswego	141				72	
Ottawa	166			10.1	3	
				10.5		
Owens Center Grange				18.17		
				18.18		
Palace Drug Store	39					
Parke, Henry H.	43	52				
Parker, Clara A.				4.18		
Patrons of Husbandry						
Paw Paw				11.4		
Peace Movement	28					
Pearl Harbor	200					
Pecatonica	14			18.5		
Pecoy, Oscar				8.5		
Peking Seige				19.14		
Pepoon, George W.				19.9		
Percheron Horses	1	6				
Peru	156	167			52	
Peterson, Frida V.	33					
Peterson, P. A.	57					
Petroleum	48					
Pfister Assoc. Growe	86	90				
Pharmacies						
Photographs	2	26	32			
	51					
Pianos	169					
Pierce Family				4.12		
Pigs						
Piper Hardware Compa	78					

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Plano	10					
Plapp Family				4.49		
Platte River Develop	31					
Playbills				19.21		
Plows					101	
Plumbing Industry	78					
Poetry	46	89				
Pogue Lumber Company				4.29		
Police				7.5		
Politicians						
Politics	28	58	67			
	73	75	118			
Politics	131	136	137			
continued	138	139	143			
Politics	145	152	153			
continued	170	175	163			
Pomona Grange	134			18.9		
Population	157	159				
Populism					63	
Postal Cards	199					
Postal Service	21	200				
Posters	200					
Potter Family				4.13		
Poultry Industry	36	114				
Power Resources	176					
Prairie Conservation				4.48	39	59
Prairie Farmer				19.6		
Prairie View Grange	14					
Presbyterian Church				4.31	87	
Presidents, U.S.	200					
Price, Granville	147					
Princeton	27	113	129			
Princeton Game and F	113					
Printing Industry	20					
Prisoners of War					49	
Prisons	4	118				
Professional Associa	162	165				
Professions, Women	97	98	99	19.20		
	120	121	122			
Professions, Women	144	148				
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Property Taxes	161					
Prophetstown	112					
Public Access TV	147					
Public Speaking Club	30					
Public Utilities	176					

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Pure Milk Associatio	62	81	86			
	93					
Putnam Family	71					
Race Relations					45	
Racine, Roy				4.4		
Railroad Stations	51	159	54		66	
Railroads	2	51	54	18.7	37	90
	200					
Recipes	89			19.12		
				19.22		
Recreation	133					
Red Cross	200					
Reed, Chauncey W.	67					
Reed, John	39					
Regional Planning	157	159		4.53		
				4.59		
Regional Transit Aut	159					
Religion						
Republican Party	28	58	67			
	73	163	168			
Republican Party	174					
continued						
Retail Trade	23	45	72			
	78	166	171			
Retail Trade	171	172	173			
continued						
Revivals				19.30	91	
Rice, Wait				18.10		
Roads	158	159	200	4.66		
	46					
Roberts, Thomas	140					
Rochelle	98					
Rock Falls	100	130	172	16.3		
Rock Island	199				2	
Rock River Conferenc	24					
Rock River Valley					34	88
Rockford	12	33	42	18.2	2	61
	38	48	57		62	68
Rockford	66	81	83		108	113
continued	123	125	132		9	48

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Rockford	133	136	138			
continued	145	150	175			
Rockford	12	33	66			
Swedish Americ	83					
Rockford Mitten	38					
Rockford Period Furn	57					
Rockford School Dist						9
Rockford Social Agen	125					25
Rollo School						
Roosevelt, Theodore				4.20		
Round Grove Grange	68					
Royal Mantel & Furni	57					
Rural Delivery	200					
Rural Life						
Rural Women	112	129				
Sabin, Jay H.	32					
Salem Church	119					
Salem Lutheran	84					
Sandwich						
Salem Lutheran				4.32		
Sycamore						
Sandwich	8	73	89	4.31		
	84					
Sandwich State Bank	70					
Sanitary Engineering	164					
Schaumburg					22	46
Schleicher, Benjamin	175					
Schools	2	8	117	4.39	17	36
	200			4.40	71	
Scott, Ray	75					99
Scrap Metals	57					
Seed Industry	86	90	140			80
Seminaries	77					
Service Clubs	18					
Sewage Disposal	159	164				
Shabbona	5	29		4.17		
				19.4		
Shapiro, David C.	174					99
Sheep						24
Sherman Hospital	144					
Shimer, Francis W.	77					
Simmonds, Merritt J.	126			4.14		
Skandia Coal and Lum	57					
Skokie						28

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Sleighs	29					
Smith Family	48					
Smith Oil Company	48					
Soderboom, Fred C.	33					
Soil Conservation	159	164			26	56
Sons of Liberty				16.1		
South Grove Grange	61					
Spafford, Amos C.				18.11		
Spring Valley					21	
St. Charles	159	58	149	7.9	41	42
	200			7.10		
St. Joseph Hospital	144					
St. Paul's				11.5		
St. Paul's Episcopal	55					
Star Reporter	131					
Starline Inc.	114					
Starved Rock	199			10.4		
Steel Industry	1	6			50	79
Stephenson Co.	2	93				
Sterling	100	130	155	16.3		
	171					
Sterling Clock Compa	116					
Stevens Family				18.6		
Stevens, Lydia				19.10		
Stillman Valley				13.2		
Stone Age					111	
Strikes	51	138			37	21
Student Movements	5					
Student Unrest						
Suburban League					71	
Suburbs	159	164			28	
Sugar Grove	74			7.4	14	
Sunday Schools	34			18.8		
Swamps					96	
Swedish Americans	66	72	84			
	160					
Swedish Americans	12	33	66			
Rockford	83					
Swedish Methodist Ch	160					
Sycamore	43	97	54	4.2	49	104
				4.15		
Sycamore				4.22		
continued				4.37		
Sycamore Farmer's Cl				4.57		
Sycamore Municipal H	144					

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Taft, Lorado					51	
Tagit Company	57					
Talcott, William A.	38					
Taylor Family	37					
Taylor, Ella Hume	34					
Teachers' Unions				4.37		
Television	147					
Temperance	66					
Textile Industry	38					
Theater	57			19.21	89	121
Thurrow Family	10					
Tinker Cottage				18.12		
Tintypes	2	32	45			
	46					
Tisler, C. C.				10.1		
				10.5		
Toastmasters Clubs	30					
Tool Industry	78				68	
Town Meetings	158					
Townsend, Charles				4.15		
Tractors					8	23
Trade Unions						
Transportation	159	164			95	
Travel Journals	27	29				
Trinity Church				4.31		
Trinity Lutheran Chu	104					
Trucks	32					
U.S. Bicentennial	9	200				
U.S. Congress	67					
Union Furniture Comp	57					
Unitarians	13					
United Methodist Chu	160					
United Way	125					
Universalists						
Universities	56					
Uplinger Lumber Comp	16					
V-J Day	200					
Valley View	159	164				
Van Arsdale, Henry	32					
Van Vorhees Family	35					
Vandervoort, William				19.13		
Vegetation					96	
Verona				13.1		
Veterans	126	127	154			
Veterinary Medicine					13	81
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W. F. & John Barnes	123					
Wagner Family	1	200				

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Wagner, H. H.	23					
Wagons	29					
Wakefield, George W.	22					
Wanner, Lucinda O.	163					
Warner Amex Cable	147					
Washburn-Moen Manufa	1					
Washing Machine	57					
Water Conservation	159	164			26	56
					105	112
Water Conservation continued					115	117
Waterman	22			4.29		
Waukegan					38	
Wayne	159					
Weld, Edward H.				13.2		
Well Drilling						
Wesson, Silas D.				4.61		
West Chicago	67					
Westclox Inc.	116					
Western United Gas	176					
Westfield Grange	88					
Westfield Sunday Sch				18.8		
Westgate, Letitia				4.45		
Wheatland-Salem Meth	119					
Wheatland Plow Match	110					
Wheaton College					91	
White Rock				13.3		
Whiteside Co.	68			16.2	2	97
Whitney Family				11.11		
Whitney, A. R.	115					
Wildlife Conservatio	107	113				
Wildrose	159					
Will-DuPage Service	94					
Will Co.	94	110	143	17.1	2	
	144	152	159	17.2		
Will Co. Farm Bureau	94					
Willowdale Grange	80					
Winnebago Co.	88	32	136	18.1	2	20
				18.16	48	59
Winnebago Co. Farm B	79					
Winnebago Grange				18.14		
Winnebago Radio Comp	57					
Wire Industry	6					
Wirick Family				4.44		
Wirtz Family	60					
Wiswall, E. J.	60					
Women	98	129	77	4.36		

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Women's Relief Corps DeKalb	126				
Woodbury Family	8				
Woodstock	121				
World War I	1 154	10 200	91	19.3 4.16	
World War II	2 7	12 169	91 200		49
Wunderlich Piano Com	169				
Wurlitzer Company	169				
Wyoming	31				
Y.M.C.A. Posters	200				
Yannigans	53				
Yorkville	103	109			
Zinc Industry	167				
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